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# PACKARD TRUCKS MEAN INCREASED PROFITS IN THE MOVING BUSINESS



THE spring migration of householders presents an unusual opportunity to moving and storage companies equipped with Packard trucks.

A Packard truck will do more work at this period than any other kind of equipment. It will make your spring rush season more profitable because it will waste the least time. A Packard truck cuts the cost of both long and short hauls. In suburban work the expense of crating and shipping may be eliminated.

A Packard truck will enable you to handle more jobs per day and reduce the average time per job to a minimum.

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# **Sell Trucks That Save Power**

The dealer who can offer a truck which does **not** waste power has a distinct advantage over his competitors. In these days of keen competition, that question is going to loom big on the profit sheets of both dealer and user. You can protect your interests and get the bulge on your competitors by selling WALTER trucks, which, owing to their drive, are power savers.

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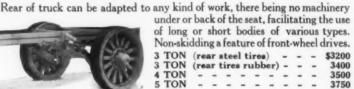
HAS THE FOLLOWING ADVANTAGES:

Economy of power, truck being pulled instead of pushed; phenomenally low tire cost, as steel or fabric tires can be used on the rear wheels.

Power is applied direct to the front wheels by the simplest and most economical of known methods—two enclosed spur gears.

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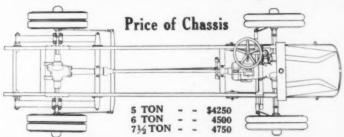
Loads do not have to be shifted.



# Walter Four-Wheel Drive Truck for Heavy Loads

It combines pushing and pulling and can't be stalled.

The Government specifies this form of drive for army purposes



# Walter Tractor, Four-Wheel Drive and Steer

For tractor service nothing equals the short-wheelbase, four-wheel drive and steer truck. Can be used with trailer mounted on fifth wheel, or to haul a train of trailers. Same power plant and sterling features of construction as the other WALTER models. Price of tractors hauling up to 12 tons, \$4500.

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We have some desirable territory open—it is to your financial interest to see if yours is among them. Write without delay; we'll advise you fully.

Walter Motor Truck Co., 49-51 W. 66th St., New York City

# THE PUBLISHERS PERSONAL PAGE

#### SERVICE

"Service!" The most misunderstood word in the commercial car industry to-day, means one thing to the dealer, and an entirely different thing to the user. Both use the Most Misun- word "service," and mean different things. Is it derstood any wonder that agent and user cannot agree? Word Is it any wonder it is the rock on which many a good agency has foundered?---and the millstone which prevents further progress? Service is too often a labor without reward.

This much-maligned and misused term, "service," should be thoroughly understood by every dealer, agent and manufacturer, to say nothing of the army of users. Those in the Dealer and trade, and those out of it, must soon come to an User Must agreement as to the meaning of this small word Understand of seven letters. Around it are grouped both success and failure; service spells either, depending upon the ability of the agent to determine of what service should consist, and also his ability to bring about the same understanding of it, in the minds of his purchasers.

An equitable and just interpretation of the word "service" can only be brought about by a thorough understanding of the problem and a general interchange of ideas on the subject. When does the dealer discover that the purchaser has a different idea of service than himself? When both, freely---and sometimes too freely---vent their heated ideas of what service really means, over a disputed bill.

Let us once understand and clearly define what service

Must means, standardize it and educate the user to

Define It this viewpoint, and much of the trouble now
connected with the service problem will have disappeared.



The Purchasing Power of Country Sections Surrounding Large Business Centers Offers Big Business Opportunities
If Covered Direct by Motor Delivery Service



### Satisfying Your Customer Insures **Business Success**

You Cannot Serve Your Customer to the Best Advantage Without the Use of Motor Delivery Equipment

The business man who watches today the trend of the civilization of tomorrow, and keeps abreast with the times,

The business man who watches today the trend of the civilization of tomorrow, and keeps abreast with the times, will realize the greatest business achievements. Modern business, according to statistics, is growing greater in the larger centers of civilization, and retrograding in the smaller centers, while the purchasing power of localities 30 to 60 miles distant from these large centers has become an enormous factor in the development of all classes of merchandise.

Prominent merchants have foreseen this condition growing, and desiring to provide individualized delivery service, have invested in Motor Delivery Vehicles which have proved far more dependable than any other vehicle of transportation. Today John Wanamaker owns 110 Autocars. They are an important factor in his service to satisfied customers. Over 1400 other concerns have rapidly followed in purchasing Autocars for prompt and efficient service. Notwithstanding, the railroads, trolleys, the R. F. D., Parcel Post, and express service, the Motor Truck is the recognized modern method of providing store service direct to the customer, and the foothold gained in making a satisfied customer today through their use, will be the foundation on which will spring the business of tomorrow.

#### The Autocar an Important Factor in Establishing the Value of the Motor Truck for Commercial Use

The Autocar Company specialize on one type of Motor Delivery Vehicle exclusively, they are recognized pioneer builders of gasoline cars, and are now entering upon the 17th year of marketing power vehicles. The pronounced success following their policy of building one type of vehicle, and designing the car strictly along the lines of a business conveyance, making it possible to apply a body suitable to every line of business, has proven that the Autocar type is based upon correct principles. Verify this fact by the large list of concerns, representing every line of business, who have operated Autocars for many years. The judgment of this Country's prominent concerns in buying Autocars for their business growth is unquestionably safe for you to follow.

Our new Catalog will give you some interesting information about concerns who have profited by the use of **Autocars**. Address department "D"

# The Autocar Company, Ardmore, Pa. Established 1897

MOTOR DELIVERY CAR SPECIALISTS





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# UNITED STATES STEEL CORPORATION TO MANUFACTURE BENZOLE

United States Steel Corporation, Sharon, Pa., will erect a plant in Farrell, a suburb of that city, in which will be manufactured benzole, from the bi-products of its coke ovens. The erection of the plant will be commenced immediately, and it will be completed within a year.

Benzole is intended for use in motor cars, motor trucks and hydrocarbon engines used for stationary purposes. The use of benzole for a motor fuel is not new, it having been tried out exhaustively in France and England 6 or 7 years ago, and official tests give a higher fuel value than either gasoline or alcohol. It yields 135,000 British thermal units per United States gallon, and has a specific gravity of .889 at 0 degrees centigrade.

The United States Steel Corporation has been producing benzole for some time in limited quantities, and has been testing its products during the past year in motor cars and motor trucks. It can only manufacture benzole in cities where it has coke ovens, these being Sharon, Garry, Ind., Joliet, Ill., and Birmingham, Ala. The entry of the company into the motor fuel manufacturing field cannot be looked upon as having any serious bearing on the motor fuel world because if all the benzole available were extracted from the bi-products of the ovens, the amount would only be sufficient to supply approximately 2 per cent. of motor cars now in use. While no available figures can be obtained from the tests made by the company, it is known that the benzole can be used with the same carburetor that uses gasoline, and that the fuel is entirely successful for use in both passenger cars and motor trucks.

# MOTOR TRUCK CLUB DISCUSSES BRIDGE AND TUNNEL PROJECTS

The Motor Truck Club of America, at its meeting on March 18th, went into a thorough discussion on the proposed New York-New Jersey bridge and tunnel projects. The Electric Vehicle Association of America was well represented at the meeting as were other associations interested in the improvement of street transportation. It was stated that a plan had been submitted to the legislatures of New York and New Jersey, which provides for the erection of a bridge across the Hudson River.

By a census taken in 1912, it was shown that 6,131,000 vehicles annually cross the river by ferries, and that the average time for making the trip from New York to New Jersey is 35 minutes. This time could be reduced to three or four minutes for trucks and half of that time for pleasure cars under the proposed scheme of bridging and tunneling the river.

There has been a large increase in membership since the Motor Truck Club became a national organization and a representative of motor truck users as well as members of the trade. The membership now represents an ownership of 2,319 trucks. Plans are now under way for the organization of branches in Boston, Providence, Philadelphia, Newark and Chicago.

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# POST OFFICE TO OPEN BIDS FOR TRUCK SUPPLIES

The Post-office Department, Washington, D. C., will open bids on April 22nd for furnishing a quantity of supplies for the use of motor cars in the postal service during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1914. The supplies required will include transmission and cup grease, horn bulbs, cylinder and heavy oil, blow-out and tube patches, pressure gauges, cushion and pneumatic tires, inner tubes, tire tapes, valve parts and tools, vulcanizing rubber, etc. It will be impossible to furnish estimates on the quantities required as they will be called for from time to time as the necessity may arise to equip and repair the cars owned and operated by the Department at the following places: Atlanta, Ga., two Whites; Baltimore, three Whites; Brooklyn, three Whites; Buffalo, two Whites; Columbia, S. C., one Wagenhals; Columbus, Ohio, two Wagenhals; Detroit, two Wagenhals; Louisville, two Whites; Memphis, three Wagenhals; Minneapolis, four Whites; Nashville, three Wagenhals; Norfolk, Va., two Wagenhals; Philadelphia, six Whites; Richmond, Va., two Wagenhals.

All supplies must be delivered at and within the doors of the post-offices mentioned and other offices which may be furnished with motor cars during the ensuing fiscal year.

Prospective bidders desiring application blanks and details about the above mentioned supplies can obtain them upon application to the Purchasing Agent, Post-office Department, Washington, D. C.

#### BRITISH FUEL PRICES

So much has been printed and published regarding the high price of gasoline or petrol in Great Britain that a word of explanation seems necessary. Prevailing retail prices in the United States at the time of writing range from 15 to 25 cents per gallon, probably averaging 20 cents. As far as we are able to learn, British retail prices average about 27 cents per gallon. This would apparently mean that John Bull pays 7 cents more per gallon for his fuel than we do, but this is not true because the British gallon is nearly 17 per cent. larger than the United States gallon, the exact figure being British gallon equals 1.2009 United States gallon. Therefore one British gallon of gasoline in the United States at 20 cents per

gallon would cost 24.018 cents. This shows that the Britisher only pays a shade under 3 cents more per gallon than we do. The British tax on petrol probably accounts for most of this increase in price.

THE INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINEERS' ASSOCIATION has moved from 416 W. Indiana Street, Chicago, Ill., to 1413 Michigan Avenue. The officers of the association are: President, Charles Kratsch; First Vice-president, Harry E. King; Second Vice-president, S. M. Walker; Third Vice-president, J. C. Miller; Fourth Vice-president, Albert Erickson; Fifth Vice-president, C. T. Powell; Secretary, Wallace V. Pye; Treasurer, I. J. Babcock.

#### UNITED STATES RUBBER COM-PANY'S NET PROFITS, \$7,140,125

United States Rubber Company, New York City, has issued a report showing net profits amounting to \$7,140,125. This report covers only nine months, ending December 31, 1913, because the company has changed its fiscal year to correspond with the calendar year. During the nine months the company did a gross business of \$87,349,692; the net income, including cash discount allowed to customers, amounts to \$9,677,532. Deducting the interest on the funded and floating debt leaves a profit of \$7,140,125.

#### STUDEBAKER'S 1913 PROFIT NEARLY \$2,000,000

The Studebaker Corporation's report to its stockholders shows that during the calendar year 1913, the total sales amounted to \$41,464,949.82, as compared with \$35,440,-327.41 in 1912. The net profits from all sources, after payment of interest, amount to \$1,772,473.65. The increase of business during 1913 over 1912 amounts to 17 per cent. and is the largest volume of business in the history of the company. The directors state that they believe the standardization of the products and the volume of sales were of more importance in 1913 than large profits, and greater business is expected for the coming year.

#### NEW STEWART-WARNER MANAGERS

Frank M. White, who was formerly manager of the Stewart-Warner Speedometer Corporation's New York Branch, and who for the last two years has been at their factories in Chicago, returns again to take up his duties as manager of the New York Branch. F. O. Fleischer, who has been New York manager, remains as office manager.

J. J. Hildebrecht, who has been manager of the Pittsburg Branch, has taken up his new duties as a special salesman. The new Pittsburg manager is A. T. Henderson.

Batavia Rubber Company, Batavia, N. Y., in addition to its regular dividend of 1½ per cent. on its preferred stock, has declared on the common stock a regular quarterly dividend of 1 per cent., and an extra dividend of ¾ of 1 per cent., which were payable on April 1st.

#### GURNEY BALL BEARING COM-PANY OPENS WESTERN OFFICE

Gurney Ball Bearing Company, Jamestown, N. Y., well-known manufacturer of ball bearings, owing to the rapid growth of its business, has established an office in Detroit, where it has established an engineering department to place such service in close touch with its western customers. This office is located in Room 1935 Dime Bank Building, and is in charge of Mr. Otto Bruenauer, western sales manager.

Standard Roller Bearing's creditors met on March 27th for the purpose of receiving a report from R. S. Woodward, Jr., and S. Lawrence Bodine, receivers. It was proposed that a creditors' supervising committee of five be appointed with power to liquidate the company at any time, should such a course be desired. The assets of the company from \$6,101,107 on September 13, 1913, have shrunk to \$1,831,432; the quick assets of the company at \$792,000, and it owes approximately \$1,500,000. At the meeting the general sentiment was to give the receivers a year to put the company on its feet, and if not, to liquidate.

Gramm-Bernstein Company, Lima, Ohio, has declared its regular 3½ per cent. semiannual dividend on the preferred stock of the company. The affairs of this company's business show a prosperous increase in the number of trucks sold, and indications point to a good and substantial growth in the business.

Pyrene Fire Extinguisher Company has created a motor car department in order that the needs of motor car users may be studied and their interests properly served. This department is now in operation under the management of C. Louis Allen, for the past year New York manager of the Service Recorder Company. It will be the aim of this department to act in the nature of a general information bureau and counsel on all matters pertaining to automobile fire insurance and the owners of both pleasure and commercial cars are cordially invited to make use of this department at all times. The fire insurance companies have recently granted a substantial reduction in their rates whenever the automobile or truck was properly equipped with Pyrene Fire Extinguisher.

Aetna Motor Truck Company, Detroit, \$100,000, incorporated to manufacture and sell trucks.

# ONE HUNDRED AND FIVE TRUCKS SOLD ON ONE ORDER

What is believed to be the largest single order ever placed for motor trucks has just been received by The Kelly-Springfield Motor Truck Company, of Springfield, Ohio. This order was placed by the Pacific Motor Coach Company, of Los Angeles, California, and calls for one hundred and five Kelly-Springfield trucks.

The Pacific Motor Coach Company has been studying the motor truck field very carefully for some months past, and finally decided upon the Kelly-Springfield to standardize their large equipment. This company is capitalized at \$500,000, and will operate double decked motor buses between Los Angeles and Venice, Long Beach, Pasadena, San Pedro and other nearby points.

Thirty-three trucks on this order are for immediate delivery, and by July 1st the line will be in operation. The remainder of the order is to be delivered on a monthly schedule which will bring the entire one hundred and five into operation by January, 1915. The order calls for one hundred and four special five-ton chasses, and one two-ton chassis which will be used for the carrying of gasoline.

George Westinghouse, the famous inventor and engineer, died of heart disease at his New York City residence on March 12. His health had been failing for some time and consequently his death, though a great shock to his thousands of friends and acquaintances all over the country, was nevertheless in a measure anticipated.

Emil Groseman, Manufacturing Company, Inc., Brooklyn, N. Y., has closed its Detroit branch, and will hereafter have only a Detroit office at 708 Ford Building, in charge of G. Edward Shaw, who will also call on the factories in the States of Michigan, Indiana and Illinois.

#### DURANT DORT PRICES

In our February 1914 issue in the Review of Western Commercial Cars, we gave the prices of the Durant Dort products, the Best and Flints. These prices were for cars equipped with solid tires, pneumatic equipment being extra.

In our March 15th issue, on page 43, we gave the price of the Commerce Car as \$875. This price has been changed to \$975.

#### Personal Items

- H. R. Brown has resigned as western division sales manager of the Thomas B. Jeffery Company, Kenosha, to join the Mitchell-Lewis Motor Company, Racine, Wis.
- C. E. Stone has been elected general manager of the Motor Truck Club, New York City. E. L. Howland, who has been secretary and general manager, remains as secretary.
- Chas. E. Stahl, of Chicago, has been appointed sales manager of the Connecticut Telephone & Electric Company, Meriden, Conn., manufacturers of the well-known "Connecticut" ignition products.
- Chas. H. Pier, of Flint, Mich, formerly sales manager of the W. A. Peterson Company, will represent the Flint Motor Wagon Department, Durant-Dort Carriage Company, in Ohio, Indiana and Michigan.
- J. M. Evans, who has been representing the Flint Motor Wagon Department, Durant-Dort Carriage Company in Ohio, has been transferred to eastern Pennsylvania, with headquarters in Reading.
- Geo. E. Shaw, formerly factory representative of the Emil Grossman Manufacturing Company, Inc., Brooklyn, N. Y., has been appointed western manager with head-quarters in the Ford Building, Detroit.
- R. J. Schmunk, for several years sales manager and for the past year director of sales of the Peerless Motor Car Company, has become general sales manager, the company's chief executive of the selling division.
- G. D. Wilcox, formerly sales manager of the Standard Motor Truck Company of Detroit, Mich., has accepted a similar position with the Commerce Motor Car Company, of Detroit, well known makers of the Commerce commercial car.
- J. L. Bergs, formerly sales manager and superintendent of the Johnson Truck factory in Milwaukee and sales manager of the Fritchie Truck factory in Denver, has joined the sales force of the General Motors Truck Company.
- Arthur C. Gross, formerly city salesman for the Kenton Harman Company, has joined the sales force of the Flint Motor Wagon Department, Durant-Dort Carriage Company, and will travel through western New York State, with headquarters in Rochester.
- R. P. Spencer, one of the most widely known men in the country in both sales and advertising, has been appointed sales manager of the Federal Motor Truck Com-

Arthur Waterman has recently returned to the Hartford Suspension Company to fill the place vacated by Mr. Reeves. Mr. Waterman had been associated with the Hartford interests for many years and had been a great factor in building up the business until it became the largest in its class in the world. He has for the past year been sales manager for the G. C. Vaporizer Company, and now returns to his old duties with the added distinction that he becomes vice-president and general manager, practically assuming complete control of the business.

William J. Slater, formerly assistant sales manager of the Michigan Motor Car Company, has joined the Flint Motor Wagon Department, Durant-Dort Carriage Company, as general salesman, with head-quarters in Flint. He will cover the United States in a general way.

Gilbert Woodill, formerly sales manager of the Hawley-King Company, Los Angeles, Cal., who has had charge of the distribution of Oakland cars in that section, has become sales manager of the W. K. Cowan Company, in charge of the distribution of Jeffery cars in southern California.

W. C. Knight, formerly manager of the Warner Instrument Company in Cincinnati and Indianapolis, and for the past year with the Stewart-Warner Company in Detroit, has become western sales manager for the Boston Auto Gage Company, of Boston. Mass., with offices at 1231 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Mich.

Walter G. Clark, efficiency expert and consulting engineer, of New York City, is now in Los Angeles, to install a system for the Motor Truck & Terminal Company, which now operates forty-seven trucks and has ordered forty more for use in competition with the railroads within a radius of 50 miles of Los Angeles.

Manning J. Smith, treasurer of the L. H. Gilmer Company, Philadelphia, Pa., owing to ill health, has given up his duties temporarily. At the last meeting of the directors, John S. Krauss was elected secretary and factory manager. G. Walker Gilmer, formerly connected with the company, has returned and assumed the work of sales manager in the absence of Mr. Smith.

Kramer Governor Company, Milwaukee, Wis., has been organized by Benj. G. Kramer, President of the B. G. Kramer Company, with a capitalization of \$25,000 for the purpose of manufacturing governors for motor trucks. Headquarters have been established in the present Kramer works on Lake Street.

The Thurber Rotary Starter Company, well-known maker of the rotary air starter for automobiles, has been taken over by the Northern Engineering Works, 685 Atwater Street, Detroit, Mich. This company now proposes to manufacture and market these starters, and is arranging a vigorous advertising campaign on same.

Cleveland-Galion Motor Truck Company has been taken over by the Galion Dynamic Motor Truck Company, recently incorporated with a capitalization of \$250,000. The incorporators of the company are; G. W. Nickels, N. G. Knight, Chas. Schaefer, J. B. Holmes, John J. Bittner, Harry B. Greig and John M. Deibig.

Model Gas Engine Works, Peru, Ind., has been bought by the Pittsburgh Model Engine Company, capitalized at \$750,000. A new factory is being erected in Pittsburgh, and the Peru plant will be operated as a branch of the Pittsburgh plant. The officers of the new company are: W. J. Strassburger, President; E. A. Myers, Vice-President; J. F. Keenan, Treasurer; J. W. Littlejohn, Secretary. The Pittsburgh plant will be ready for operation about July.

#### INTERNATIONAL MOTOR HAS NEW SALES AND EXECUTIVE OFFICES

The Executive and Sales offices of the International Motor Company have recently moved from their old quarters at 57th Street and Broadway, to larger quarters in their modern and finely equipped eight-story service building at 63rd Street to 64th Street on West End Avenue, New York City.

The Company manufactures the Mack, Saurer and Hewitt trucks, which are used all over the country. The erection of their service building with its excellent facilities and equipment, considered to be the finest in the United States, is an evidence that this company intends to be an important factor in the motor truck trade for some time to come. Repair business can be taken care of here more economically, because of the facilities and machine equipment, which includes compressed air, telpherage, tric plugs every 20 ft. for electric drills, The machine shop in its fullness would be a credit to a modern factory. The company has its own radiator department, blacksmith shop, painting and body depart-ments, etc., in fact is so fully equipped that trucks can be constructed from the wheels up if necessary. The forges and blacksmith shops are placed on the roof, which is a novel location and renders more positive the fireproof safety of the rest of the building. Every floor is protected with a sprinkler system, and is so arranged that in case of fire it can be completely cut off from other levels. The boiler and engine rooms are under the main roof but are really in a separate building, it being necessary to go outside the main walls to enter t'e fire rooms.

Enormous space is utilized for gasoline garaging purposes, and lately an electric charging station has been added to take care of the increased demand for such service.

Murphy-Potter Company, Detroit, Mich., has changed its name to the Brass & Aluminum Foundry & Machine Company. Wm. E. Carpenter, for the last three years sales manager of the company, has become general manager.

The Norma Company of America, maker of Norma ball, roller, thrust and combination bearings, announces the removal of its offices, from 20-24 Vesey Street, to 1790 Broadway, New York City.

The Foxboro Company, Foxboro, Mass., has taken over the liabilities and assets of the Industrial Instrument Company, of Connecticut, which was a holding company, and of the Standard Gauge Manufacturing Company, of Connecticut, with a factory at Foxboro. The Foxboro Company manufactures a rapidly growing line of Foxboro Improved Recording Gauges, Thermometers, Tachometers and Pyrometers, which are sold by the Industrial Instrument Company. The Foxboro Company owns all the capital stock of the Industrial Instrument Company, and there will be no change in the personnel and policies of the companies.



#### POPULAR EASTERN MOTOR TRUCK SPECIALISTS TAKE NEW CHICAGO QUARTERS

Through its Chicago branch, the Autocar Company, of Ardmore, Pa., doing business as the Commercial Car Sales and Service Co., has leased new premises at 735-755 West Jackson Boulevard as sales and service headquarters. Heretofore, the Autocar Company's Chicago home has been at 918 South Michigan Avenue, upon the outer fringe of Chicago's automobile district. Michigan Avenue has for years been the theatre of activities of Chicago's automobile men. and the business has grown so rapidly that well-established automobile concerns may be found as far out as Twenty-fifth Street, a distance of about three miles from the center of the city.

The step now taken by the Autocar Company is looked upon as a bold one, and it is the first motor truck concern to leave the automobile district to locate in a new and untried field. This choice, however, marks the trend of the industry in keeping in close proximity to business houses. Jackson Boulevard is the only important thoroughfare, minus car tracks, from the loop district to the very rapidly growing west and northwest portions of the city, and it is therefore the chief thoroughfare for pleasure cars and trucks.

The new Autocar Sales & Service Building is situated on Jackson Boulevard below Halsted Street. The building is 150 ft. deep, running through to Boston Avenue, a street 66 ft. wide. This provides the premises with a very commodious garage entrance, the front of the building being devoted to sales purposes. The famous "loop" district can be reached in three or four minutes, and the important and rapidly growing business districts to the north, west and south can be reached without traversing the congested loop district. The new station will be within a stone's throw of Chicago's wholesale district and few, if any, of Chicago's more important houses are more than a mile from this location.

Altogether, it may be questioned if it would be possible to secure a location better fitted to serve the needs of a growing clientele of Autocar truck users, and there are not indications wanting that other important truck concerns, recognizing the meaning of this move on the part of the Autocar Company, will follow them to Jackson Boulevard, and that this Boulevard will in the near future become the center of Chicago's automobile truck trade.

The new building is a handsome structure, three stories high, with basement, having a facade of glazed brick. The store front will be remodeled and will present a very handsome and attractive appearance. The show room will have a depth of 60 ft. Columns will be encased in plaster, and

the floor will be covered with art tiling. A new 8-ton elevator, 8 ft. 6 in. x 23 ft., will be installed and the garage will be provided with every feature known for the economical and efficient handling of trucks. The washstands will be so arranged that any car can be washed and run back into its permanent storage location with but one movement.

A 1000-gal, capacity gasoline tank will be sunk adjacent to the building line on the company's new premises, and this tank will be equipped with pumps of the very latest pattern. An oil storage house, distinct from the main structure, will be erected so that the danger of fire will be minimized. The building will be equipped throughout with a sprinkler system.

The repair shop will be of the most modern pattern, and there will be upon the same floor a steam room for the quick and thorough cleaning of chassis and parts and for removing carbon from the cylinders by the new oxygen flame method, and a separate, enclosed, well-equipped forge room will also be provided. A large stock of parts will always be carried in a well-lighted and well-arranged stockroom, equipped with every facility for handling and recording parts sales transactions.

The floors are well lighted and have the advantage of exceptional head room, no ceiling being less than 16 ft. above the floor. In addition, the building has a fine basement extending under the pavement. The dimensions of the building are 150 x 50 ft. This gives a floor space of 30,000 ft., as against 6000 at the present Michigan Avenue location.

#### Agency and Branch Items

H. V. Lansdale, Washington, D. C., has secured the agency for the Reo trucks.

Autocar Sales and Service Company is now established at 1311 Cathedral Street, Baltimore, Md.

**Dunbar Motor Company,** of Springfield, Mass., has taken the Hampden and Hampshire County agency for G. M. C. trucks.

Boss Rubber Company, Denver, Colo., distributor of Motz tires in Colorado, has opened branches in Pueblo and Colorado Springs.

Motz Tire & Rubber Company, Akron, Ohio, has established the following distributing agencies: Electric Garage, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Gietle Brothers, Springfield, Ill., and the South Bend Rubber Company, South Bend, Ind.

F. T. Sanford Automobile Company has taken over the representation of the Kelly Springfield motor trucks for New York State, New Jersey and Connecticut. Local agents are being appointed in the principal towns and cities in the States named.

United States Mill Supply Company, of Providence, will open a branch in Boston as distributors of Mais trucks. Mr. Walter L. Mitchell, previously connected with Mack Motor Truck Company and Packard Motor Car Company, to become manager.

Commercial Car Sales & Service Company, 918 Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Ill., has moved to 753 W. Jackson Building. This company is a branch of the Autocar Company, Ardmore, Pa.



Illinois Dealers Who Visited the White Factory

Fifty Illinoisans, traveling in private cars, recently made a flying trip to Cleveland to inspect the factory of The White Company, and the methods of production. When they arrived at the Union Depot, at 7.30 o'clock in the morning, they were met by officials of The White Company, and a fleet of seven-passenger touring cars conveyed them to the Union Club for breakfast, as guests of The White Company. The whole day was spent at the White plant, including luncheon in the administration dining room, and in the evening the visitors were dined at the Cleveland Athletic Club. After the banquet they were entertained at the Hippodrome, and were returned to Union Depot to depart in the same cars in which they arrived.

In this section, each month will be listed the open territory of leading commercial car manufacturers. This affords an opportunity for dealers or those wishing to take on agencies, to learn which makers are seeking agents in their vicinity.—EDITOR.

Crown: Crown Commercial Car Company, Milwaukee, Wis. Open territory in New York City, Boston, Philadelphia, Buffalo, San Francisco, Los Angeles and other principal cities.

Crawford: Crawford Automobile Company, Hagerstown, Md. Open territory in England, Northern New York, Central Pennsylvania, Middle West and Northwest and Southern California.

Trabold: Trabold Truck Manufacturing Company, Johnstown, Pa. Open territory in Pennsylvania except Cambria, Somerset, Blair and Indiana counties.

Koehler: H. J. Koehler Sporting Goods Company, 1709 Broadway, New York City. Open territory in San Francisco, Oregon, Nebraska, Atlanta, Ga., New Orleans, La., Galveston, Tex.

Mercury: Mercury Manufacturing Company, 4110 S. Halstead Street, Chicago, Ill. Open territory in St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minn., Milwaukee, Wis., St. Louis, Mo., Cincinnati, Ohio.

Bessemer: Bessemer Motor Truck Company, Grove City, Pa. Open territory in Texas, Oregon, Washington, Georgia, Ala-bama, Kansas, New York City, Baltimore, Md., St. Louis, Mo., Cincinnati, Ohio.

# Conventions of Interest to the Trade

National

April 22-25—at Savannah, Ga. Convention of National Drainage Congress. Edmund P. Perkins, Chicago, Ill., President.

April 29-30—at Boston, Mass. National Association of Cotton Manufacturers. Edwin Farnham Greene, President.

May 18—at Indianapolis, Ind. Convention National Retail Hardware Association. M. L. Corey, Secretary, Argos, Ind.

June 13-19—at Toledo, Ohio. National Convention of Woodmen. Edw. C. Frank is chairman of the committee of arrangements.

June 17-19—at Minneapolis, Minn. National Wholesale Grocers' Association of the United States. Headquarters at Hotel Radisson. Oscar B. McGlason, President; Mr. Beckman, Secretary; J. W. Bragdon, Minneapolis, and H. Hunton, Stillwater, are interested.

June 18-19—at Buffalo, N. Y. National Hardwood Lumbermen's Association, Hotel Statler. Arthur W. Kreinheder, President of the Buffalo Lumber Exchange, is interested.

July 7-9—at New York City.

Annual Convention of National Leather and Shoe Finders' Association. Merchants' Association will probably prepare for the event.

October—Louisville, Ky. National Convention of National Leather and Shoe Finders' Association the Kentucky Bottlers' Association to be held in the Armory. Samuel Leidigh is President of both the State and National Associations.

#### State Conventions and Fairs

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April 20-21—at Mobile, Ala. Tri-State Laundrymen's Association, Hotel Cawthorn.

April 23—at Orange, N. J. Master Builders' Association of New Jersey. V. P. Christofferson, of Perth Amboy, is Secretary.

May 5-7—at Montgomery, Ala. Alabama Retail Hardware Association. Business Men's League committee is preparing for the event.

May 5-7—at Little Rock, Ark. Retail Hardware Association of Arkansas, to convene in this city. Grover T. Owen, of this city, is Secretary.

May 6-7—at Gainesville, Fla. Florida State Retail Hardware Dealers' Association. Board of Trade may be addressed.

May 26-27—at New York City. Board of Governors of the American Manufacturers' Association will hold convention. Merchants' Association will probably have charge of the event.

Hart, H. S., and Rowland Thomas, of Reading and Allentown, Pa., have formed a selling arrangement whereby they have taken over the distribution of the Flint Motor delivery wagon in eastern Pennsylvania, having service station arrangements with Mammoth Garage, Reading, Pa., Lafayette Garage, Easton, Pa. and Bachman, Bradbury & Bachman, Allentown, Pa.

Kirk's Garage, 219 Brown Street. New Haven, Conn., has taken the agency for the Baker electric. An electric service station has been added to the garage where proper attention will be given to all makes of electric cars. This department is under the supervision of H. H. Morrell.

The list of conventions given herewith is published each month so that commercial car manufacturers can communicate with the proper authorities with the idea of arranging to give lectures, illustrated talks, statistics, in these various lines; also possibly to show and demonstrate their cars.

May 26-28—at Kansas City, Mo. Kansas Grain Dealers' Association. Commercial Club may be addressed.

June 1-6—at Topeka, Kans. Topeka Retail Grocers' Association will hold pure food show. Committees are making preparations for show. June 9—at Clarksburg, W. Va. West Virginia Business Men's Association to hold annual meeting.

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Merchants' Association will note annual convention.

June 17-19—at Isle of Palms, Charleston, S. C. Southern Wholesale Grocers' Association. J. N. McLaurin is President,
June 23-25—at Galveston, Tex. Retail Merchants' Association of Texas. H. A. Eiband, President, July 7-9—at Raleigh, N. C. Retail Hardware Association of Carolina. T. W. Dixon, of Charlotte, N. C., is Secretary.
July 14-16—at Cedar Point, Ohio. Ohio Retail Grocers' & Meat Dealers' Association to hold 15th annual convention.

August 11-14—at Eldon, Ia. Big Four Fair Association will hold fair.
August 26-Sept. 3-Iowa State Fair. Association

sociation will hold fair.

August 26-Sept. 3—Jowa State Fair. Association is preparing for event.

August 21-Sept 5—at Santa Rosa, Cal. District Agricultural Fair to be held. Directors of the Chamber of Commerce are preparing for event. September 15:18—at Allison, Ia. Butler County Agricultural Association will hold annual fair.

etc., to show the advantage of motor trucks

Holihan Manufacturing Company has been organized and has taken over the plant formerly occupied by the Anguish Manufacturing Company, 1506 West Fort Street, Detroit, Mich. This company makes a specialty of radiators, hoods, fenders, gasoline tanks, and also repairs all kinds of radiators. James A. Holihan, president and general manager, has had a wide experience, having been assistant general man-ager of the Briscoe Manufacturing Com-pany. The other officers are: Wm. Chris-Secretary and Treasurer; L. Goldtian. smith, Vice-President; and the other di-

rectors are Chas. R. Talbot and Sherwin

A. Hill

September 15-18—at Milton, Ia. Milton District Agricultural Association Fair. September 16-19—at Batavia, N. Y. Genesce County Fair to be held.

County Fair to be held.

September 21-26—at Decatur, Ala. North Alabama Fair to be held. James H. Stone, of New Decatur, is Secretary of the organization.

September 21-26—at Sioux City, Ia. Fair of the Interstate Fair Association.

Interstate Fair Association.

September 22-25—at Rhodes, Ia. Eden District Agricultural Association Annual Fair.

October 1-3—at Oakland, Md. Garrett County Agricultural Association Second Annual Fair.

October 12-17—at Birmingham, Ala. Alabama State Fair to be held. Sam Fowlkes, Secretary of the Alabama Fair Association, is preparing for event.

October 12-16—at Harrisonburg, Va. Pochicultural Country of the Alabama Fair Association, is preparing for event.

County Fair. Extensive arrangements are being made.

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October 20-24-at Hope, Ark. Hempstead County Fair. W. W. Thorp, Secretary.

November 7-13-at Macon, Ga. Georgia State Fair. Harry C. Robert is Secretary and general manager.

December 1-4—at Des Moines, Ia. Convention of Iowa Retail Implement and Vehicle Dealers' Association. Commercial Club is interested. Iowa Retai Association.

#### Firemen Conventions

May 12-14—at Oklahoma City, Okla. Chamber of Commerce may be addressed.

June 17-18—at Napoleon, Ohio. Northwestern Ohio Volunteer Firemen's Association. T. W. Fisher, Secretary.

July 28-29—at Bath, N. Y. Western New York Volunteer Firemen's Association. Charles Kandt, of Lockport, Secretary.

July 29-31—at Chambersburg, Pa. Cumberland Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association. Chambersburg fire department has charge of preparations.

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August—at Geneva, N. Y. State Firemen's Association. Albert B. Leonard, Secretary, is preparing for event.
October—at Harrisburg, Pa. State Firemen's
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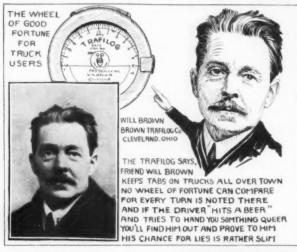
ctober 20-23—at New Orleans, La. International
Fire Chiefs' Association to convene Chief
Louis Pujol preparing for event.

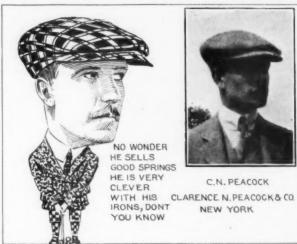
G. V. Lyons has been appointed manager of the San Francisco branch of the Moreland Motor Truck Company.

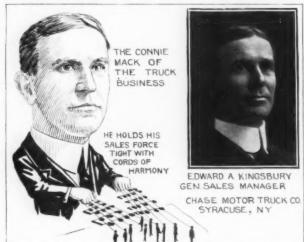
W. G. Penfold, formerly general manager of the Buffalo Electric Vehicle Company, is now manager of the Buffalo branch of the Detroit Electric Company,

Stewart Warner Speedometer Corporation, Chicago, Ill., has opened the following service stations: Schmidt Company, 90 Albert Street, Winnipeg, Man., Canada; El Paso Speedometer Service Station Company, 315 Texas Street, El Paso, Tex.; Scranton Speedometer Service Station Company, Scranton, Pa.

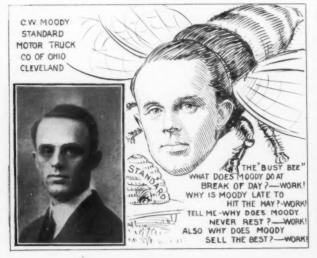














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#### A PLEA FOR THE SMALL CAR



HAS taken the better part of ten years for the commercial car manufacturers to realize the importance and the advantages of small capacity units. The increasing number of commercial cars being placed on the market with capacities from 1000 to 2000 lbs, is proof that the manufacturers now recognize the demand for commercial cars of this

type. A very few appreciate that there is also a demand for cars with capacities as low as 500 lbs.

How unfortunate it has been for the commercial car industry that the beginnings were not with small, inexpensive units. There were too many costly experiments by early users, with enormous trucks, with enormous upkeep expenditures. These experiences were dear not only to the individual users, but to the commercial car industry, and to-day we are experiencing in some measure a reaction, one of the causes of which is the above mentioned costly experiences with very large trucks at the beginning.

The salesman who is in close touch with the buyer is aware of these facts, and occasionally encounters even to-day bitterness and rancor against the truck as a direct result of an early siege with a too large and too costly outfit,

Aside from the incompetence of the early drivers, and we might say of some of the present drivers, the size and cost, not only the initial cost, but the upkeep cost of the trucks is

one of the most potent factors acting against their universal

Each year an increasing number of the new vehicles are of the small unit type, and each year as the production of the country increases the proportional part represented by the large units falls off.

Still there are not enough small low priced commercial cars that will stand up and do the work. The demand for these vehicles is many times as great as for five, six, seven and one-half, and ten-ton trucks, yet the makers as a whole look upon such small cars as beneath the dignity of a large firm to manufacture. In truth some of them do not even deign to consider them as commercial cars. They little realize the enormous number of business houses that could use to advantage such trucks, nor do they recognize the fact that the man who begins with a small vehicle of low initial cost and even lower service costs, is being trained in the use of motor-driven vehicles at a minimum of expense, and that he comes out a satisfied graduate, ready to use larger units where necessary. He has passed then no heartrending and embittering experiences in the use of power delivery during the formative period of his knowledge of such modern methods. He is ready, and receives cordially, advances from truck salesmen even those selling larger units and becomes eventually a satis-

How different with the man who begins with a five or six-ton truck, and found to his sorrow that it was not a paying proposition. Don't let us be misunderstood at this point. The thought is not conveyed that his conclusion was correct or that his experience was due to the inefficiency of the truck, although it might occasionally have been. We wish to bring out the point that even though due to the ignorance and inability of the owner himself, the results are the same, the experience was to him proof that trucks were not economical and could not be used to advantage in his business. He clings persistently, tenaciously even to that thought for years afterward. It has actually taken years for good trucks to live down such reputations. This time has not yet passed, beginners with trucks are repeating over and over again the same history day by day; beginners with great big machines which never should have been placed in service as a first installation. Equipment which should not have been sold if the salesman actually knew his business and understood that of his prospect. We might also add and knew the temperament and disposition of the prospect, for these have much to do with his ultimate judgment on whether the truck is a money maker or a money loser.

Manufacturers, sales agents, and salesmen are alike responsible for many unsatisfactory conditions which exist in 1914 in the truck industry. The knowledge of the causes underlying these conditions is gradually reaching the consciousness of those most vitally interested, and there should be but one result, namely the manufacture and sale in larger and larger quantities of smaller and smaller commercial cars.

By small and inexpensive units we do not mean cheap and ineffective units. The 500-lb. to 1000-lb. capacity delivery wagon must be as staunch as its big brother the 5-ton to 20,000-lb. truck.

This year marks the beginning in the commercial car industry of such staunch and efficient low priced trucks. At the same time it points out with just as unerring a finger a change for the better, a settling down of the industry onto a business basis. It should indicate to the manufacturer, the dealer and the user, that he study the small capacity unit with more serious thought, and recognize before it is too late the important place which it is destined to occupy.

# LARGE FIELD FOR LIGHT DELIVERY VEHICLES



HE evolution of a cyclecar from the motorcycle is apparently going to follow the same course that the evolution of the automobile did from the carriage, that is laboriously step by step, many of the steps being backward. These will of course have to be retraced to bring the vehicles up-to-date. With the experience which has been gained with years of motor vehicle manufacturing, there should not be

this lame method of development that was unavoidable in the early days of the industry. The cars developing from motorcycles will have inadequate brakes, wheels with insufficient hub width, and being cheap, will probably be fitted with steering gears which will not stand up. The spring suspensions will not be able to carry the loads which will be put into the van bodies, frames will be too light, and the tread so narrow that the vehicles in the hands of reckless boy drivers, will be overturned into the ditch when rounding corners at high speed. But out of this chaos of unsuitable design will emerge a few well designed, carefully built, 500-lb. delivery vans which will stand up.

Let the designer think this over seriously, and try if possible to plan such a vehicle now, and not subject the users to the usual humiliation of testing vehicles for the maker, and pointing out to him the mistakes in his own car.

The field for such vehicles is so large that it is well worth while for capital to investigate and supply this demand,—a demand which many do not yet realize exists.

# MAY WILL BE A SALES AND SERVICE NUMBER



E FEEL that there are two subjects of paramount importance to the dealer, the manufacturer and the user. These are sales and service. Sales methods, sales organizations, are always of interest to the manufacturer and dealer, while the question of service affects also the user.

Service is the one thing that is more misunderstood than any other. In the May issue of the COMMERCIAL CAR JOURNAL we shall have many articles by leading men in the trade and from well known users which will throw light on this vexed subject of service. There will be the opinions of the dealers on what they believe constitutes service, and what they can give and still make a profit.

The user's idea of service will also be given, and from this data it will be possible to arrive at some satisfactory conclusion as to what service really means. At the present time the word service covers a multitude of sins. There seem to be as many ideas of service as there are individual dealers and users.

There will also be descriptions of the prominent features of service stations; outlines of special service methods; articles by sales managers on salesmanship; how to build up sales organizations, and on the best plans for successfully marketing commercial cars.

This is an issue which should be invaluable to not only the trade, but to the user, and we invite all those who feel that they have a message on these subjects, which will bring about a better understanding of what service means, or who feel that they can give information which will better existing conditions, to make use of our columns, and trust that the resulting interchange of ideas in these two most important topics, sales and service, will bring beneficial results to the industry.

#### Steel and Rubber Markets

#### Steel Prices Drop Slightly

Although steel prices are at present from \$4 to \$10 lower than a year ago, the lower prices have thus far failed to bring out any new business to speak of. The car business is the most active branch of the steel business.

Quotations on April 8th were:

#### STEEL PRODUCTS PRICES

Bessemer steel, per ton, mill	21	00	a	21	50
Open hearth, per ton, mill	21	00	a	21	50
Sheet bars, per ton	22	00	a	22	50
Steel bars, soft base, half ex tidewater	I	31	a	1	36

The above prices are at tidewater in carloads and larger lots. For quantities less than 2000 lbs., but not under 1000 lbs., \$2 per ton additional is charged, and less than 2000 lbs., \$8 per ton additional.

#### SHEETS

The following prices are for 100-bundle lots and over f. o. b. mill; smaller lots \$2 per ton higher.

Gauge-	Black.	Galvan- ized.	Gauge-	Black.	Galvan- ized.
Nos. 22 & 24	I 80	2 10	No. 28	2 00	3 00
Nos. 25 & 26	1 85	2 80	No. 29	2 05	3 05
No. 27	I QO	2 00	No. 30	2 10	2 25

#### IRON AND STEEL AT PITTSBURGH

Bessemer iron	14	90	a		
Bessemer steel, f. o. b. Pittsburgh	21	00	a	21 5	50
Muck bars	28	00	a	29 0	00
Skelp, grooved steel	1	20	a	1 :	25
Skelp, grooved iron	1	55	a	1 6	60
Ferro-manganese (80 per cent.), seaboard	38	00	a	30 0	00
Steel, melting scrap	12	00	a	13 0	00
Steel bars	I	10	2	1 :	20
Black sheets, 28-gauge	1	95		2 0	
Galvanized sheets, 28-gauge	2			3 0	
Blue annealed, 10-gauge	T			1 4	
Tank plates, 34-inch and heaver	I	20		1 2	

#### Crude Rubber Innactive

Quiet conditions have prevailed during the past month both here and abroad in the rubber industry. Manufacturers of rubber goods everywhere seem disposed to operate in a conservative way in the matter of purchases of crude material. The world's visible supply of Brazilian rubber decreased 730 tons during the month of March. Quotations on April 8th were:

Up-River— Fine	74	9		Ciudad, b'k
Coarse	44	8	45	
Island—				Africans—
Fine	60	2	70	Massal, red 47 a Red C'go Nominal
Coarse				Red C'go Nominal
Cameta	35	a	36	B'k C'go 47 a
Caucho-	00			Soudan-
Balls	45	a	16	Niggers Nominal
Centrals-	40	-	4-	Gambia, prime 44 a
Corinto	42	a		East India-
Esmeralda	42	a		
Guatemala, slab	38	a		Smk, sh'ts 64 a 66 Cevlon bis & sheets 63 a 64
Mexican-				Ceylon bis & sheets 63 a 64 Pale crepe 64 a 65
Scrap	4.2	a	43	
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#### DEATH OF J. ELWOOD LEE, TIRE MANUFACTURER

J. Elwood Lee, founder of the Lee Tire & Rubber Company, Conshohocken, and Vice-President of the Johnson & Johnson Company, manufacturers of surgical supplies, died suddenly at his home on April

8th, at the age of 55 years. Mr. Lee started in business thirty years ago, manufacturing surgical instruments and supplies. He was successful from the start and became a millionaire in a few years. The business grew gradually year by year until now it employs more than 800 men, and the pres-

ent capital of the company is \$2,000,000. In 1905 it was the largest of its kind in the country, with the exception of the Johnson & Johnson Company, at New Brunswick, N. J., and the two companies were merged, although each kept its own identity. About the same time the Lee Company took up the manufacture of automobile tires.

# How the Baltimore Bargain House Doubled the Efficiency of Its \$60,000 Commercial Car Installation

Trucks Show Saving on Short Hauls—Details of an Unique Removable Body Loading System



HE progressiveness of the Baltimore Bargain House of Baltimore, Md., is nowhere more clearly shown than in their efficient method of loading and unloading their large fleet of motordriven vehicles by using removable bodies and overhead triplex

block trolley hoists. The growth of this company since it started with one small building on Baltimore Street in 1895, has been phenomenal. At the present time they occupy a twelve-story building containing 240,000 sq. ft. of floor space on the same site as the first small building on Baltimore Street, and are now constructing the largest storage warehouse in the State. The method of handling the motor truck equipment is very typical of the up-to-dateness of this firm. The installation is, therefore, described in more or less detail, as it will doubtless prove a model upon which many similar installations will be built.

Superintendent George P. Neilson early recognized the fact that the trucks were not giving as economical service as they should, and was brought face to face to the problem of obtaining more loading space and cutting down the loading time. Two years ago at the New York automobile show, he was impressed by the at-tempts in various directions by removable bodies, etc., to solve the loading problem. He realized that it did not pay to allow such valuable units to stand for an hour to be loaded, when the total trip and unloading could probably be done in the same length of time. He therefore set about to devise a method which would cut down the loading time and economize the small amount of available loading space. The present loading system is the result, and has proved so successful that it will also be installed in the tremendous new warehouse building which is now being erected.

#### Removable-Body Triplex-Block Loading System

The system as worked out by Mr. Neilson consists in the use of special removable bodies in combination with overhead trolley triplex blocks made by the Yale & Manufacturing Company, York City. At the Baltimore Street store the available space for loading is a passageway 38 ft. wide, and long enough for six wagons at a time. It would have cost many thousands of dollars to have secured increased space for loading facilities in the immediate vicinity, and this was out of the question. With the removable body method the problem was solved so satisfactorily that eight trucks can now be loaded simultaneously if necessary, and it takes less than 5 minutes to dispose of an empty body and take on a five-ton load.

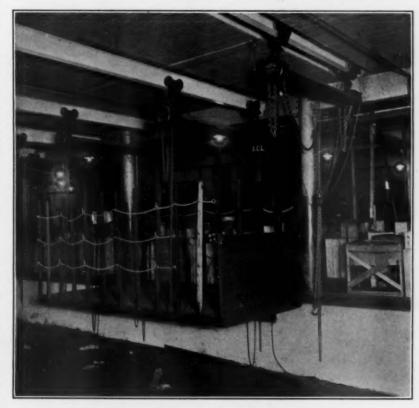
#### The Suspended Bodies

The empty bodies are hung, as shown in the accompanying illustration, from the overhead triplex blocks on trolley beams which extend across the 38-ft. areaway into which the trucks are driven. These bodies are exactly on a level with and against the edge of the loading platform. At the center of this platform is a box conveyor, which delivers boxes, bales, barrels, etc., directly on to hand trucks operated by the loading force. These are im-mediately wheeled onto the suspended truck bodies, which are all of the stake type, the stakes nearest the platform of course being removed, and the load properly packed. Movable fence-like projections divide the loading platform space in front of each of these bodies so that goods for that section of the country which the particular truck in question is to cover are placed in front of its body.

There is a line of eight of these bodies against the platform, with but 9 in. clear-

ance between their ends. There is always at least one empty space; into this the empty body of the truck which comes in, is The truck drives directly opposite the space which the body is to occupy against the platform. The driver jumps off, and one of the chain men slides the Triplex blocks on the overhead trolley over the empty body, four pendant chains terminating in hooks are hooked in bolts in the side of the body, and it is then raised about 4 in, above the level of the truck platform, which is sufficient to clear it from projecting metal retainers, which prevent the body from slipping. The instant the body is clear the driver and chain man propel it rapidly to the front of the platform. the driver jumps back into the truck, and pulls forward or backward in a straight line, stopping opposite whichever body is to be his load, jumps off, trolleys the load away from the platform its own width, which brings it over the truck, and then lowers it the 4 in. into place.

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Removable Body and Loading Platform

This view shows one of the removable bodies suspended from the triplex blocks in place against the front of the loading platform. This picture shows as general a view of the platform as could be obtained.





HE third annual commercial car show held by the Boston Commercial Vehicle Association closed on Märch 21st, in Mechanic's Building, Boston, Mass. This was practically the only commercial car show of any size this year, there being none in New

York or Chicago since the Automobile Chamber of Commerce, Incorporated, decided that it did not pay to include the commercial cars at the national shows.

The Boston dealers felt, however, that they would like to hold a show this year, but it is questionable whether a show will be held in 1915.

This year's show was very well attended, somewhat better attended than last year. Many of the exhibitors did a good business, but it was noticeable that less floor space was occupied than formerly and that a few of the large makers occupied a very large percentage of the total floor area, so that, although there were many vehicles shown,

there were not as many makes represented as formerly. There were some eight exhibits this year that were not in last year's show, but this did not offset in numbers those not represented. In our last issue we published a complete list of the exhibitors. Prominent on the floor were the Packard, White, Autocar, G. M. C., Pierce-Arrow, Buick, Garford, Federal, Kelly, Stanley, Knox, Locomobile, Selden, Kissel, Chase, Standard, Velie, Reo, Lauth-Juergens, Republic, Atterbury and Walter. The exhibit of the White Company was unusually large and occupied several prominent places.

#### Sales Were Made

There were reported good sales during show week, the attendance aside from the first night being very noticeably composed of substantial business men who were thoroughly in earnest investigating and comparing the different vehicles.

The city representatives attended on municipal night in large numbers, and sales of vehicles were made to the city for municipal service. It is certain that such a collection of trucks is an excellent opportunity for business men of the surrounding territory, and especially from smaller cities, where very few of the trucks are represented by agents, to study and decide what vehicle will best serve their needs.

Among the older exhibitors there seems to be a general feeling that the shows are not a very good paying proposition, as they are already well established. Among the newcomers who are placing agencies there is just the reverse sentiment, that the shows are a fine thing for them and should be continued.

Bodies were a feature of the show, there being many novel constructions, including fire apparatus, parcel post delivery, many dumping body coal trucks, lumber wagons and illuminated bodies for advertising purposes.

# The Front-Wheel and Four-Wheel Drive Walter Trucks

By D. E. SCRIBER



HE Walter trucks, in front wheel drive, four-wheel drive and fourwheel drive and steer tractors, are the product of the Walter Motor Truck Company, 49-51 West 66th Street, New York City.

Back of those vehicles is Mr. W. Walter, one of the pioneers in the automobile industry, having been the original designer and maker of the well-known Walter pleasure cars, and for the past five years manufacturer of a line of conventional rear wheel drive trucks. He is now president of the Walter Motor Truck Company.

The Walter trucks are distinctively novel in construction in many respects, notably in power transmission methods. The Walter trucks are made in three distinct types: those that are front wheel driven only, those which have all four wheels driven and a short wheelbase tractor which has not only all four wheels driven, but in which all four wheels steer.

# Advantages of Front-Wheel and Four-Wheel Drives

When a maker chooses to depart from what may be termed the standard type of

rear wheel driven truck, and places on the market a product which represents his financial interests, and which means his success or failure in the truck business, he usually gives the matter the most painstaking consideration before his decision is made. Mr. W. Walter could just as well have built any other type of truck, but chose the front wheel drive where but a single set of wheels are to be driven, and the four-wheel drive for the largest and heaviest units. His reasons for doing so were based on the advantages which he feels that this type of vehicle possesses. Stated briefly, they are as follows: Where but two wheels are driven it requires less power to move the loaded vehicle if the power is applied to the front wheels and the load is pulled instead of pushed. In a more or less crude way this principle may be demonstrated by attempting to push a loaded wheelbarrow through sand, and then by turning around and pulling it through. Where the load is on a wheel that is pushed it tends to bury itself, and requires more power for propulsion than when the load is on a wheel that is pulled.

Where the front wheels are live and being driven they tend to climb over obstacles and the action is different from pushing a dead wheel against an obstacle. One of the greatest advantages, however, is the possibility of using inexpensive tires on the rear wheels, as these do not have to have traction. Some of these trucks are supplied by the Walter Company with 8-in. wide solid steel tires, the only objection to which is the noise they make on cobblestone pavements. The slightly increased vibration is negligible, as there is no mechanism at this end of the vehicle. These tires carry the heavy loads and last indefinitely. Other forms of tires which are less expensive than rubber can be used, such as felt or fibre which deaden the sound. They have been shown on these vehicles to have long life.

Economy of operation is claimed, as the actual power required to propel a given load by the front wheels is less than to push it by the rear wheels.

There is no mechanism whatever back of the driver's seat, either under or above the chassis, the length can therefore be made anything desired according to conditions, and any type of body can be used. It is even possible to make use of wagon bodies, or to attach existing bodies if desired. This truck can either be supplied as a complete unit, or merely as a drive to take the place of the front wheels of the horse truck. The claim is made that from \$300 to \$500 per year can be saved on tires alone.

There being no mechanism whatever back of the seat, it is never necessary to remove the load in order to get at any of the vital parts. The claim is also made that the truck is non-skidding as far as this is caused by the differential action of driven rear wheels. Non-skidding is also assisted by having the brakes act on all four wheels, and steering is assisted by having the steering wheels alive. When propulsion is through the front wheels, it is possible to pull out of difficult positions with the front wheels cramped to any angle, it not being necessary to have the wheels point practically straight ahead before the vehicle can be started.

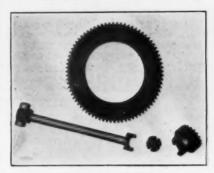
#### Four-Wheel Drive Advantages

If very heavy loads are to be carried and greater traction than can be obtained by two wheels is desired, all four wheels can be driven. With the Walter design this is a simple matter, as the power plant at the front is so arranged that a shaft can be run to the rear. This is the type of vehicle that is especially sought after by foreign governments for army work, and our own government specifies this form of drive for heavy army hauling. Driving and braking strains are equalized, and traction is never lacking. When one wheel strikes a slippery spot, and fails to drive, three-quarters of the tractive effort is still retained, and even two wheels might fail to be on sufficiently good surface to give traction, and yet two more would do the pulling. The only possible disadvantage to such a construction is the added complication and this has been cut to such a low point in the Walter construction that it is practically negligible, as will be shown by the detailed description which follows.

#### Four-Wheel Drive and Steer

For trailers and train work the short wheelbase four-wheel drive and steer tractor is provided. This has all the features of the four-wheel drive, with the additional advantage of being able to turn in an extremely short radius. It also makes it possible for the trailers to track the forward vehicle. Brakes on all four wheels effectively care for the great momentum of the tractor and train. This company has been

following very closely the latest and most advanced foreign practice along these lines, including the government tests of vehicles of this type. The French Government has made a special class for four-wheel driven trucks and tractors.



#### Driving Mechanism of Walter Front-Wheel Driven Truck

These are the elements through which the front wheels are driven; namely, a short shaft fitted with a universal joint at the inner end, and a special ball joint in the hub of the small driving pinion at the outer end. The large spur gear is bolted directly to the wheel, and all of the mechanism is enclosed, forming an efficient drive.

Reviewing the Walter line in general, it will be seen that all the units underlying the construction of all the vehicles are contained in the front wheel driven truck. The entire power plant and driving mechanism is concentrated at the forward end over the front axle, giving traction to these wheels when the vehicle is running light and added tractive efficiency when the

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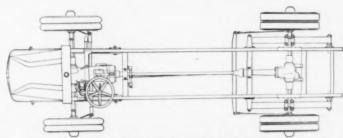
Although the mechanism is very compact and a long carrying space is provided back of the driver's seat, the engine is not in an inaccessible position under floor boards, but is under a hood which is well forward, protruding somewhat beyond the front axle, making the engine unusually accessible when this one-piece hood of Renault type is removed.

#### Unit Power Plant and Drive

The entire mechanism at the front is selfcontained in a single unit, three point supported with the shortest and simplest possible drive to the front wheels through two short Cardan shafts, each of which is fitted with a spur gear at the outer end meshing with a large spur gear encased on the wheel.

The construction is very compact and so arranged that this unit does not have to be altered or changed in any way on vehicles which drive the rear wheels also. In other words, the power plant and forward transmission mechanism on the front wheel drive is exactly identical with that used on the four-wheel driven vehicle. In the same way the steering gear with modified reduction is arranged so that by connecting a longitudinal shaft with a universal joint at its forward end, the rear end carrying a steering arm can be connected by the usual linkage to the rear wheels.

The engine itself is a four-cylinder unit en-bloc construction. On the five-ton vehicles it is 43% bore by 6-in. stroke, rated as 35-40 h.p. On the three and four-ton trucks the motor has a bore of 4 in. and a stroke of 5 in., rated at 30-35. These motors are practically identical in construction, the difference in them being simply in



Plan View of Walter Four-Wheel Drive Truck

The mechanism at the front is identical with the trucks which are front-wheel driven. Through a clutch forming a universal joint at the rear of the transmission case, the power is transmitted to the ordinary type of bevel-gear driven rear axle by shaft. Brakes are applied to all four wheels.



View of Front-Wheel Driven Walter Truck

This shows the compact en bloc four-cylinder unit power plant, three-point suspended at the front, under a hood. Diagonal-block rubber tires are employed on the driving wheels at the front. The rear wheels can be fitted with steel or fabric tires, doing away with the expense of rubber.

the size of the parts. The engine details will be dealt with in another paragraph, these following more or less standard practice.

#### Method of Motor Mounting

The motor is fitted with a trunnion at the forward end of the crank case, which rests in a fixture on the frame and forms the front support of the power plant. The flywheel, as usual, is at the rear. The rear end of the case is expanded, forming a housing around the flywheel, and is bolted directly to a similar front end of the transmission case. This case has integral lugs or bosses on the sides amidships through which vertical suspending bolts pass having castellated nuts on the under side. These large suspension bolts are carried at the upper end by a cast steel cross frame

The forward end of the lay shaft carries

bevel gear which drives the bevel gear

differential of the usual type. At each side

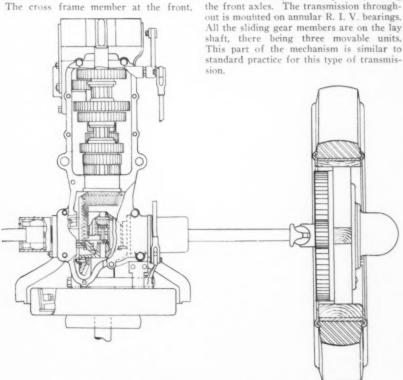
of this bevel gear differential are universal

slip joints with short shafts running out-

ward to the ball joints and pinions, driving

member and form a two-point suspension for the power plant and change gears. The trunnion at the front forms a flexible point of suspension, giving this combined power plant unit a three-point suspension in the truck frame.

The cross frame member at the front.



Plan of Change-Speed Mechanism, and Front-Wheel Drive

This view shows the plan of the transmission gears, the universal-joint shaft running to the right and left to the front wheels, and one wheel in section, disclosing the ball joint and the driving pinions. This is all of the mechanism, there being nothing back of these transmission gears.

which virtually forms a buffer, is held at each end with bolts and can be taken out, permitting the removal of the entire unit power plant through the front, after disconnecting the driving shafts extending to the wheels, and removing the two suspen-sion bolts at the center of the transmission

The spur gears driving front wheels are 11/2 in. face, 5 in. pitch, the large gear being an annular ring bolted to the inner hub plate. Both gears being entirely enclosed and packed in grease, are therefore well protected from the road.

#### The Change-Speed Mechanism

The makers, realizing that large gear reductions are essential to the truck, and that efficiency on low speeds is more essential in a commercial car than in any other, use the well-known foreign practice in the change speed gears of placing the lay shaft or countershaft, as it is sometimes called. directly above the main shaft of the transmission which is in line with the engine shaft. This gives no direct drive, but results in a more direct drive on the low speeds, and does away with a divided main shaft in the transmission case. On all speeds, even including the lowest, the drive is through a single set of spur gears in the transmission case. Four speeds ahead and one reverse are provided, making possible an exceptionally low gear for the lowest speed.

#### Provision for Auxiliary Drive

At the rear the transmission case is provided with a small removable cover plate which can be replaced by a housing bolted on if it is desired to mesh any gear with the reverse pinion for driving hoisting standard parts, when auxiliary power apparatus is desired.

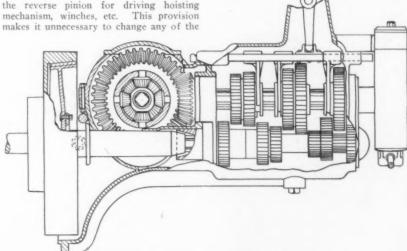
The connection between the engine transmission is by a standard cone clutch leather faced with easy engagement springs inserted under the leather. The forward end of the main shaft of the transmission is milled from the solid, forming four splines which enter the hub of the clutch cone, this combination of clutch and splined shaft therefore form a universal and slidable connection between the engine and transmission, relieving any strains which there might be a tendency to set up between the two units, and also providing an easy and simple method of disconnecting or separating the two when at overhauling periods it is desirable to take out the parts.

#### The Braking System

The rear end of the transmission lay shaft extends rearwardly from the case and carries a cast steel drum on the exterior of which is a contracting, asbestosfaced, band brake. This is connected directly with the usual control pedal, but is also interconnected with the rear wheel brakes. A hand lever is so attached that will operate the rear wheel brakes alone. The pedal, however, operates both rear wheel brakes, and also the transmission brake, which of course, through the driving shafts, controls the front wheels, thus giving a braking effect on all four wheels. The rear wheel brakes are cast steel drums bolted to each of the spokes of the rear wheels. They are 18 in. in diameter with a 4-in. face. These drums are engaged by cast steel shoes cam expanded and faced with copper asbestos fabric. The pull rods connect to a full frame width equalizer and by a single center pull rod to the brake pedal. This makes a most efficient braking system, as the operator by lever can con-trol the rear wheels only if desired, or with the pedal can give braking effect to all four

#### The Motor

The motor is a four-cylinder unit of L. head type. The exhaust valves being very large, having double the volume capacity of



Side Elevation of Walter Change-Speed Mechanism

The little shaft is a prolongation of the engine shaft. This drives through integral gears to the lay shaft above, on which are the sliding-gear members, there being three. This produces four speeds ahead and one reverse. The drive is then by the usual bevel-gear pinion, with differential gears at the center, and side shafts leading to the front wheels.

the intake valves. These are operated as usual by a single cam shaft with integral cams mounted in three Parsons white bronze bearings, and is removable through a hole at the front of the case. The bearings are very large, their diameter being great enough to cover the greatest radial extent of the cam. The crank shaft is drop forged chrome vanadium, the bearings of which are somewhat peculiar, the arrangement being, however, very logical. The front of the shaft is carried in an annular ball bearing which gives a short distance lengthwise for the bearing at this point. The center and rear bearings are plain Parsons white brass, the rear bearing having a

The upper ends of these rods are made adjustable by a vertical screw with a cupshaped head carrying a fibre cover, the adjustment being retained by a lock nut, The usual screw plugs cap the openings of the valves. On the engine head is a casting which serves as an outlet water connection to the radiator and the rear end of which forms a support for the four-bladed propeller-type, cast aluminum fan. This fan, which is at the rear of the engine, is directly in front of the radiator which is in the dash, and forces air positively through the radiator by blowing and not by suction. The inlet and exhaust manifold, and also a housing covering the governor connection to the throttle in the intake pipe, are cast integral and bolted to the engine side. The governor is of the fly ball type in one of the half-time gears enclosed in a housing at the front. This governor can be set for

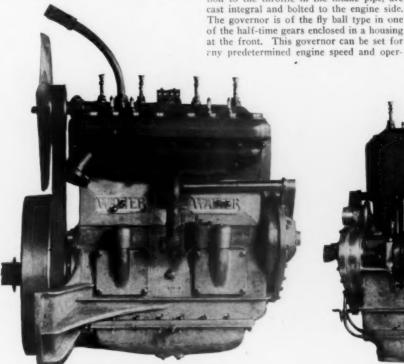
A 20-gal. gasoline tank located under the driver's seat provides fuel by gravity feed to the motor,

#### Cooling System

The cooling system is also very simple, consisting of a vertical fin tube radiator just forward of the dash, and the small centrifugal pump on the left of the engine, which draws the water from the bottom of the radiator, forces it into the lower portion of the engine jacket at the left side, the water passing out through the heads, through the casting before mentioned, which also supports the four-bladed aluminum fan which forces air through the radiator.

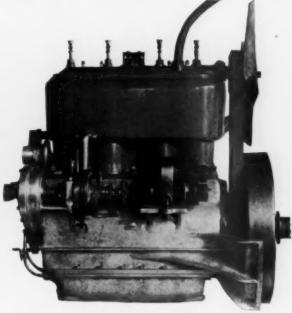
#### The Ignition System

An Eisemann automatic advance magneto with automatic spark control is mounted on the left of the engine and driven by longi-



Inlet and Exhaust Side-Walter Motor

The carburetor is placed directly on the manifold; the governor control encased, and running to a throttle on the intake pipe



Magneto Side-Walter Motor

This shows the en bloc cylinder casting, magneto and water-pump drive, and at the left, the front supporting member at the three-point mounting

length of 3½ in. This gives a large plain bearing at the flywheel end and a ball bearing at the front, where the duty is not so heavy. The flywheel is bolted to an integral

crank shaft flange. The I section drop forged connecting rods are 121/2 in, center to center, the big ends having the caps held by four 3/4-in. bolts with castellated nuts and fitted with Parsons white bronze bearings. The wrist pin ends carry sleeve bushings which are force fits onto their rod and have their bearing on a hardened and ground hollow steel wrist pin which is shouldered at one end into one piston boss and taper pinned into the other piston boss, preventing turning or side slipping. The pistons are the usual cast iron construction with slightly domed heads and carry four diagonally cut eccentric rings at the upper end. The valves are Tungsten steel, and, as before mentioned, the exhaust valve is of very large diameter, giving an unusually free exhaust. The push rods are of the mushroom end type slightly off center so that they are continually turning, equalizing the wear. ates a butterfly valve in the intake pipe after the mixture has left the carburetor.

#### Simple Lubricating System

The oiling system is about as simple as can be imagined. The pump draws oil from a sump at the bottom of the crank case, this portion of the case being removable, and forces it through a copper pipe with a suitable test cock into a cored passage in the lower portion of the crank Cored ducts lead into troughs, into which the big ends of the connecting rods As these ends are fitted with scoops a sufficient oil spray is maintained to care for the entire engine. No individual leads are The overflow and splash accumurequired. late in this reservoir at the base, same being fitted at the lowest point with draw-off plugs. At the proper level is a test cock which serves to show when the case has been filled to the proper level, the filling being done through either one of the breather pipes which are cast integral with the inspection plate covers.

tudinal shaft from the half-time gear train. The wiring is very simple, being direct from the magneto to a fibre holder at the center on top of the engine and to the plugs which are in the caps over the inlet valves. This system does away with the necessity for any spark control lever on the wheel, there being merely the usual throttle lever. The other control levers are of the ordinary type with the 20-in, steering wheel at the clutch and brake pedals on either side of it and the change speed and brake lever at the center. The rear of the dash comes close to the wheel. At this point is mounted a small lever which controls the Autovox horn. When the lever is moved it throws a small friction wheel into contact with the rear of the flywheel operating a small pump about the size of a cup which forces the air through this musical continuous toned

#### Frame and Springs

As the frames of the various machines are very similar, except as to dimensions and sections, a description of that on the five-ton machine will suffice. It is of rolled channel section steel 6 in. in depth, 2-in. flanges and 32 in. wide with heavy cast steel channel section cross frame members equal in depth to the side frame members. The rear corners are well braced with angle castings making an unusually staunch construc-The cross frame member at the front, as before mentioned, is removable, permitting the withdrawal of the power plant, This frame is mounted at the front on very long, flat, semi-elliptic springs, having a length of 56 in. and 3 in. width, of special vanadium steel mounted on top of the axle on spring pads shrunk on to the rectangular solid axle. The number and width of the leaves of course vary with the capacity of the vehicle. These springs are banded at both ends and shackled at the The spring bolts are bushed and fitted with grease cups. At the rear end the springs are carried in a steel casting which fits the underside and outside of the frame, being riveted rigidly to it, all in a most workmanlike manner. The rear springs are also of the same material, and on the five-ton truck have a length of 54 in. by a width of 4 in. They are underslung

at the rear axle, and with the truck body removed have a 12½-in. cambre. At the rear they are shackled to a cross bar 2 in. in diameter, which passes through cast steel fixtures which fit the outside and underside of the frame members and are rigidly riveted to them.

#### Axles and Wheels

Both the front and rear axles are of hammered carbon steel of rectangular section, the front being  $2\frac{1}{2} \times 3$  in. and the rear  $3 \times 4$  in. on the five-ton model. This steel might be described as a soft steel not inclined to brittleness and very suitable for this heavy duty.

The wheels are of heavy wood type on the five-ton model, fitted with 38 x 6 in. diagonal block front tires on the front wheel driven cars. On other models double continuous type tires are fitted on the front. The rear wheels in the front drive model can be fitted with steel tires as before mentioned, the five-ton truck having an 8-in. wide steel tire. All four wheels are mounted on large size roller bearings.

A wood cab completely protects the driver. The forward end is braced to the

dash, and with curtains in place makes a complete housing. The single seat with deep upholstered cushions has a width of 52 in., inside measurement. The equipment consists of horn, two side oil lamps, tail lamp, and tools.

This front wheel drive model is made in three, four, five and six-ton capacities. Prices, \$3200, \$3500 and \$3750 and \$4000, respectively, f. o. b., New York.

The other models, that is, the four-wheel drive and the four-wheel drive and steer tractor, have essentially the same construction. The four-wheel drive truck is made in five, six and seven and a half-ton units at \$4250, \$4500 and \$4750 each.

#### The Four-Wheel Drive and Steer Tractor

This vehicle is designed to carry a trailer mounted on a fifth wheel on the tractor, or for hauling a train. The wheels are fitted with 40 x 4-in. double tires both front and rear. The tractors have a capacity up to 12 tons, and sell for \$4500.

These vehicles make a complete line in themselves from 3 to 12 tons' capacity and meet all conditions of hauling within these limits

# The Parcel Post Equipment Car



NEW, small, specially built car for parcel post service has just been placed on the market by the Parcels Post Equipment Company, 875 North Street, N. W., Grand Rapids, Mich. Although designed in conformity with the

Government specifications for cars handling parcel post delivery, these machines are eminently suited to all kinds of light delivery, having a capacity of 600 lbs

#### Novel Features

This little car is laid out on different lines from anything heretofore placed on the market. At first glance the novelty consists in the extremely long hood at the front, which, however, is not a hood, but the parcel post carrying space. This compartment is made of sheet metal and has a capacity, as before mentioned, of 600 lbs. At the rear of it, just in front of the dash, is the actual engine compartment. The car is powered either by a two-cylinder V-type air-cooled motor 31/2 in. bore by 3 9-16 in. stroke, or by a four-cylinder, water-cooled en bloc motor, 234 in, bore by 4 in, stroke, A choice of these two engines is optional at the same price. This gives the purchaser a chance to have the type of engine which he particularly fancies. The power of these motors is very nearly the same. Back of the dash, which is located about two-thirds the distance from the front of the car to the rear, is a regular runabout body with a comfortable full width seat for two, with the wheel at the left and control levers at the center. A top, as well as a windshield, fitted and the car carries electric side lights and tail lights. The gasoline tank is above the engine on the part of the dash in the engine compartment.

Another novel construction is the arrangement of the power plant. The threespeed sliding gear and the rear axle form a triangular assembly, joined to the frame by a cross full elliptic spring, mounted at the center of the axle on the differential housing. The entire power plant assembly can be completely removed from the vehicle and replaced in 30 minutes, as will be explained in detail further on.

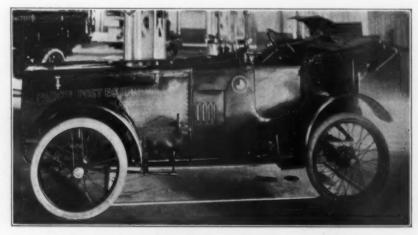
The frame is also novel in construction, being tubular and underslung. It is mounted on semi-elliptic springs at the front end, on the full cross elliptic spring at the rear. The features of this construction and the triangular power plant and rear axle assembly are shown in the accompanying plan view and other illustrations

#### Details of Construction

From the foregoing it will be seen that the car has an entirely unique layout as compared with other vehicles. It weighs complete 950 lbs., has a wheelbase 90 in., wheels 30 x 3 in., these being heavy type wire wheels, tires 30 x 3 in., option being given on a regular clincher or a regular Goodyear rim. The tread is 52 in. The loading space has the following dimensions: 56 in. long, 27 in. wide, 18 in. deep. A maximum width of 32 in. and a maximum depth of 20 in. may be had if desired.

#### Arrangement of the Units

Taking the different units in their order, from the front to the rear, we have the motor, a multiple disc metal to metal clutch housed and running in oil. This housing is bolted between the pressed steel shell which supports the engine and the transmission case. The sliding gear gives three speeds forward and one reverse, with the lay



Parcel Post Kar Photographed at the Boston Truck Show

This new machine sells for \$790, with an option of a two-cylinder air-cooled, or four-cylinder water-cooled motor. It has an underslung tubular frame, and a capacity of six hundred pounds, the luggage space being at the front.

shaft on top. The final drive is by a Diamond roller chain running over a sprocket on the center of the axle and operating in oil, the whole being enclosed. The usual differential is employed at the center of the rear axle with divided live axle shafts. The wheels are keyed to the live axles and the axles run on Hyatt roller bearings in the ends of the housings. The rear bearings are also Hyatts.

There is nothing out of the ordinary about the sliding gear, which is of the usual three-speed type, connected through a mulit and running free on the engine shaft. This rotates the engine by a clutch on the front of its hub, which meshes with a clutch collar keyed to the engine shaft. The fact that the teeth of these two gears are helical causes this small pinion to be forced forward into engagement with the clutch on the engine shaft whenever the starting lever is pulled to rotate it, thus throwing the engine over. As soon as the engine starts the clutches release each other and as the small pinion is free on the engine shaft, this shaft simply turns within

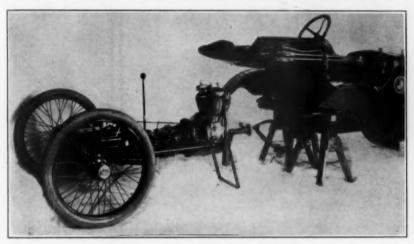
no lever for it is required, the Atwater-Kent Unisparker system being used.

The front and rear wheels are protected by the usual guards webbed to the frame. The steering is by a bevel pinion and sector with the cross connecting link in front of the axle, the usual steering arm and drag link being used. The steering knuckle arms have specially attached balls connecting with the steering linkage, so that these can be readily replaced if worn without renewing the entire steering knuckle and arm. The front axle is of square section nickel steel, 11/4 in., with 11/8 in. spindles mounted on ball bearings. The semi-elliptic front springs, which are 1½ in. wide, 40 in. long, leaves, are mounted on top of the front axle and connect at the front to a cross bar passing through the spring horns, which in this case curve downward from this cross bar, the tubular frame itself being under the axle.

#### Removable Rear Unit

The entire triangular rear construction, which includes the rear axle, wheels and the entire power plant straight through to the rear axle, is connected at the forward end to cross frame members by a ball joint at the center, and at the rear end the connection is to the lower part of a full elliptic cross spring at the center of the differential housing, the pin connecting the two at this point being removable. This gives a two-point connection of this assembly to the body. The upper side of this cross spring is also connected in a similar way to the center of the rear cross frame member. This gives the entire body a three-point suspension, at the center, at the rear and at each side at the front on the front springs. By removing the pin either at the top or bottom of this rear spring and disconnecting the ball joint at the front of the power plant assembly the whole construction can be drawn out from under the car, making it a simple matter to get at all the parts. There are patents pending on this construc-

The car complete sells f. o. b., Grand Rapids, Mich., for \$790, with the following equipment: Top, winshield, Warner speedometer which, by the way, is connected to the left rear wheel; two side electric lamps, one tail lamp, tools, jack, horn and power pump.



Parcel Post Kar Power Plant Removed

By disconnecting a ball joint at the center and removing a single pin at the center of the rear spring the entire power plant can be removed as shown

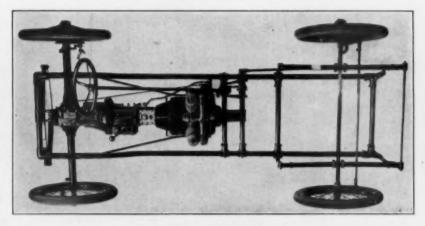
tiple disc clutch, but the controls are special.

#### Novel Control Features

As before stated, the wheel is at the left, the levers at the center. One of these, a ball-topped lever, controls the change speed gears and is of selective type. The other central lever serves a double purpose, this being a distinctive feature of the Parcel Post Kar. In normal position it is a brake lever, controlling an external contracting metal band brake with cork inserts, this being inside of the rear axle housing, protected from dirt. This lever controls the brake when pulled towards the seat. Its other function is that of starting the motor, giving a mechanical start from the seat. At the top of the lever is a release button, the brake sector having ratchet teeth, thus holding the brake when set. A certain part of the arc of motion of this brake lever operates the brake, but if it is pushed to its extreme forward position, it can then be used for starting the engine, by pulling it , toward the seat. The lever operates on a short cross shaft with an arm at one end, and a rod running forward to an arm on a similar cross shaft just back of the engine. This latter cross shaft carries two arms, the ends of which have pendant from them, by ball and socket joints, arms which engage alternately ratchet teeth in the front of a 6-in. gear with helical teeth. When the starting lever is moved forward one of these little arms engages these ratchet teeth and when the lever is pulled back the gear is rotated. This rotation is communicated to the engine by means of a small helical gear in mesh with the large one and below

it. This mechanism is encased and operates in lubricant. Thus, the car is made selfstarting from the seat without any additional control lever or pedals.

There is a small accelerator pedal of the usual type in the slanting part of the floor boards; also, a combined clutch and brake pedal, which is of somewhat novel design. It consists of an arm with a heel rest attached so that the foot of the operator can be placed on it, and rest comfortably in the pocket for the heel. The first motion disconnects the multiple disc clutch. A further movement applies a transmission brake. Below the steering wheel is a throttle lever. There being a fixed spark,



Plan of Parcel Post Kar Chassis

Showing the tubular underslung frame and the unit construction of all the mechanical parts, same being mounted at one point on a ball joint and at the center to a cross elliptic spring at the rear

# Chase Water-Cooled Models Exhibited at the Boston Show



ESIDES its well-known models, which have air-cooled three-cyl-inder, two-cycle motors, plane-tary in the small and sliding gear transmission in the large model, and chain final drive, and are furnished in 1500 and 2500-lb.

capacities, the Chase Motor Truck Company, Syracuse, N. Y., will offer two models having water-cooled Continental motors, these machines having capacities of 2 and 3 tons respectively.

#### The Two-Ton Model R

As stated above, the motor is a water-cooled Continental, being four-cylinder and en bloc type. It is 4\%-in, bore and 5\%-in, stroke, developing 35 h.p., its speed being controlled by an automatic fly ball governor, which cannot be tampered with without the owner's knowledge. The carburetor is a Schebler, and the magneto a Bosch. A centrifugal pump forces water through the cooling system and the gilled tube type radiator, which has the core mounted inside a pressed metal plate, so that it is free, irrespective of its housing. The whole is mounted on flexible supports.

#### Clutch, Transmission and Drive

Clutch is dry plate type, having saw steel contracting with asbestos wire faced discs. It is simple, durable and gives easy engagement.

The transmission is sliding gear selective type and Brown-Lipe manufacture. It gives three speeds forward and one reverse, and is housed in a single casing with the clutch and jack shaft, the complete unit having a three-point suspension, eliminating transmission strains.

The jack shaft is mounted on two flexible joints, which are bolted to the frame, and allow universal action, preventing strains being communicated to the tube or joints. Extremely strong radius rods are provided, and so mounted as to allow universal action between the frame and axle.

Frame, Springs and Axles

The frame is extremely wide and deep channel section pressed steel. Cross members are so arranged as to allow ample flexibility of frame, yet are sufficiently rigid to prevent distortion. Springs are semi-elliptic, especially long to give easy riding, the front being shackled at one end, and the rear at both.

gal. Loading platform height is 30 in., minimum. Equipment consists of side and tail lamps, full set of tools and horn.

#### The Three-Ton Model

This model, designated as Model O, is also powered by a Continental motor, four-cylinder, water-cooled, 4½-in. bore and 5½-in. stroke. Magneto is a Bosch, with set spark, and the carburetor is automatic type.



#### Chase Two-Ton Truck With Water-Cooled Motor

Four-cylinder en bloc Continental motor; Brown-Lipe three speed forward transmission, and chain final drive. Chassis price, \$2100

Axles are one-piece forgings; 1¾ x 2¾-in. nickel steel rear, and 1¾ x 2¾-in. I beam front. The spindles carry large taper roller bearings, and steering is made easy by two large ball thrust bearings in the steering knuckle. Both brakes operate on the rear wheel hubs, service being external, and the emergency internal, both being footcontrolled.

#### Other Details

Tires are 36 x 4-in. front, and 36 x 3-in. dual rear. Steering gear is worm and wheel type, and control by accelerator and throttle. Wheelbase is 160 in., and tread 58 in. Fuel tank is 15-gal. capacity, and oil tank 2½-

#### Clutch and Transmission

These members are built in a unit and bolted to the motor crank case. They are Brown-Lipe products, the transmission giving four speeds forward and one reverse. Gears are 3½ per cent. nickel, 1-in. face and 6-8 pitch. Shafts are carried on taper roller bearings.

#### Drive

Drive from the unit power plant is by a tubular drive shaft with universal joints at each end. The rear axle is David Brown worm type, mounted on imported annular ball bearings. The housing is a one-piece crucible steel casting, with the worm and wheel mounted on a separate carrier, bolted to the housing. Drive and torque are taken by the underslung springs. A large factor of safety is given throughout the entire construction.

The front axle is drop forged Elliot type, with extra large chrome nickel steel spindles, hardened and ground.

#### Frame, Brakes and Springs

Extra wide cold pressed steel is used in 'the frame, being 6½-in. channel, with 6-in. offset in front to permit very short turning radius.

Both brakes are on the rear wheels, service being external contracting, and emergency internal expanding. The braking surface is extra large.

Springs are especially long and flat, eyes being bushed with hard bronze.

Wheelbase is 148 in.; chassis overall, 218½ in.; tread, 62 in. Tires are 36 x 4-in. front and 36-in. dual rear. Gasoline tank is 20-gal. capacity, and oil tank 2-gal.



Three-Ton Chase Truck With Water-Cooled Motor

Four-cylinder Continental 4½ x 5½ in. motor; Brown-Lipe three speed forward selective transmission; worm final drive. Price, \$3000



# Standard Worm-Drive Trucks in One Ton, and One and a Half Ton Capacities



TANDARD MOTOR TRUCK COMPANY, of Ohio, with factory and general office at Warren, Ohio, and general sales office at 1824 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, has augmented its line by the addition of two models, one and one and a half

ton capacities, the both being constructed along practically the same lines, so that it seems sufficient to give a general description of the larger model, noting where the other differs from it essentially.

#### Motor

This machine, designated as B. X. is powered by an Ergon, unit power plant, four-cylinder, four-cycle, L-head type, water-cooled, under hood, 4-in. bore, 4½-in. stroke, fly ball governor set at 1200 r.p.m., giving 30 h.p. Water circulation is by pump, with three bearing crank shaft, and all valves enclosed. Oiler is self-contained. constant level, splash and gear pump. Full aluminum crank case with three point suspension. Crank shaft bearings are split and easily adjusted. Carburetor is Dayton Air Friction, with dash adjustment and hot-air pipe.

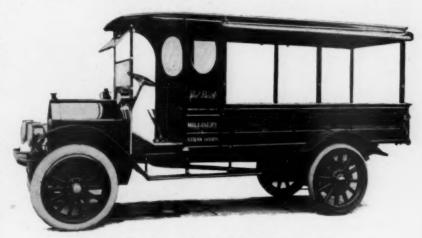
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#### Clutch, Transmission and Drive

Clutch is multiple disc, running in oil in unit housing with motor specially arranged for accessibility. Thrust is taken by ball bearings. Eighteen plates insure smooth starting. Transmission is Brown-Lipe, also

in unit with motor. It is selective sliding gear, three speeds forward and reverse, with gears 1-in. face, shaft and gears

and model F in the smaller. It is full floating type, with Browne-Lipe gears and differential run in 1¾-in, chrome nickel shaft,



Standard One and a Half Ton Model With Worm Drive
Essentially the same as the one-ton model, differing principally in having the different parts
sufficiently heavy for the purpose

chrome nickel steel specially heat treated. Bearings are F. & S. imported self aligning ball throughout transmission and clutch, Rhineland double ball throughout rear axle and differential, roller bearings in front axle. Drive is by shaft with worm and gear.

Rear axle is the product of the Chautauqua Motor Company, model E in the larger and imported ball bearings throughout. It is equipped with Cleveland worm and gear, 1 3-16-in. pitch, with the worm mounted on top with positive self-contained lubricating device. All bearings are perfectly aligned and easy adjusted. The front axle is heavy I-beam type, vanadium steel in the small, and Krupp's chrome nickel steel in the large model. Roller bearings are used.

#### Frame, Springs and Wheels

Frame is Hydraulic Pressed Steel 3-16-in. stock, rail 49-16 in. high, specially widened to take load strain. Extreme width 38 in., front width 34 in.

An option of two wheelbases is given, 124 and 134 in. in the small model, and 134 and 144 in. in the large model.

On both models, and on 134-in. wheel base, length back of seat to rear end of frame is 8 ft. 4 in., back of seat to center of rear axle 5 ft. 9 in. The large model, with 144 in. wheelbase, length back of seat to end of frame is 9 ft. 4 in.; back of seat to center of rear axle, 6 ft. 7 in. Height to top of frame 35 in. unloaded. The smaller model, with 124-in. wheelbase, length back of seat to rear end of frame is 8 ft. 4 in.; back of seat to center of rear axle, 4 ft. 11 in. Height to top of frame



Standard One-Ton Truck With Worm Drive

Four-cylinder 4 x  $4\frac{1}{2}$  in. motor: multiple-disc clutch; three speed forward transmission; shaft drive and worm rear axle. Price, \$1900

Springs are Perfection manufacture, rear 21/2 x 52 in.; eleven leaves on small model and fourteen on large. One end rides free on hardened steel roller under frame. Front 2 x 40½ in., one end free riding on hardened steel roller under frame. Spring eyes are bushed to size, and fitted to heat treated oiler bolts.

Wheels are Bimel, 36-in. front and rear, with 13/4-in. square spokes of second growth hickory, with extra heavy felloe and large flange. Both sets of brakes operated on rear wheel drums; 18 x 21/2 in. on the large, and 16 x 21/2 in. on the small model.

Solid demountable tires are regularly supplied; 36 x 31/2 in. in front and 36 x 4 in. rear on the large model, and 36 x 3 in. and 36 x 4 in. on the small. Pneumatic demountable, quick detachable tires may be obtained at additional cost.

#### Control, Equipment, Etc.

Control is by right side steer and center gear shift, gasoline throttle lever on steering column and foot accelerator. A 17-gal. gasoline tank is carried under the seat.

Equipment consists of seat, gasoline tank, front fenders and running boards, three oil lamps, complete set of tools, tool box, horn The large model sells at \$2100, and the small one at \$1900.



# The Kalamazoo Motor Truck



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#### Motor

The power plant is a four cylinder Rutenber, 3¼ x 5½ in., and cast en bloc., developing 30 h.p. Cylinders are made of semi-steel gray iron, and carefully ground to size, leaving a gloss finish. Crank case is aluminum, scraped and finished in the natural color. It is made in two halves, the upper half for holding the crank shaft, bearings and caps, and cam shaft, all in position; the lower half contains the oil reservoir and is easily removed for adjustment of crank and connecting rod bearings. Valves are exceptionally large in diameter, and heads are 3½ per cent. nickel steel, electrically welded to carbon steel stems. They are provided with long guides, which may be removed from the cylinder and replaced whenever neces-The three-bearing type crank shaft sarv. is drop-forged from 40 point carbon open hearth steel, properly treated, carefully balanced on parallels. Both crank shaft and connecting rod are of a special alloy, Hoyt's nickel babbit, die cast, and provided with large oil grooves and heavy flanges.

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#### Clutch, Transmission and Drive

The clutch is a self-contained, cone type 16-in. diameter, leather faced, with flat springs under the leather enable the clutch to engage without jerking. It is very accessible, and can be removed without taking out any other part.

A 40-h.p. Covert, selective, sliding gear transmission is employed. Gears are of nickel steel, carbonized, heat treated, and accurately ground to fit shafts and receive bearings. The shafts are nickel steel, heat treated, and ground. Hyatt High Duty

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#### Axles, Springs and Frame

The front axle is a one-piece drop forging of very heavy I-beam section. The rear axle is rectangular in section, 13/4 x 23/4. forged from a single piece of special steel. The spindles carry Standard roller bearings, with solid rollers, and races and cones made of special steel, with temper drawn, so that they are very tough and will not chip or break under severe service. rollers offer a line of contact throughout their length, giving bearings great radial load and end thrust capacity.

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Frame is made of special cold-pressed steel, 3/16 in. thick; the side members are 4½ in. high, 23/16 in. wide. Five cross members are thoroughly riveted and heavily gussetted. The frame is  $173\frac{1}{2}$  in. long, and extends the entire length of body.

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Steering gears, heavy type, worm and sector gear, adjustable large hand wheel is placed on right side. Standard tire equipment 36 x 3 in. front and 36 x 4 in. rear, solid flange type.

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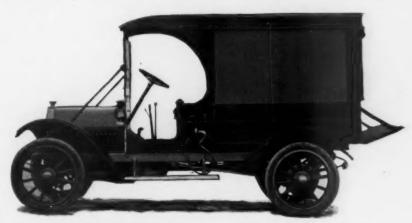
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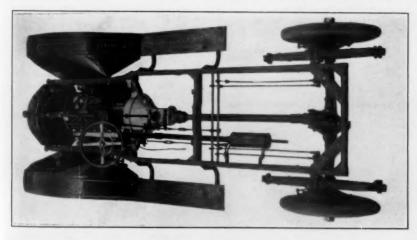
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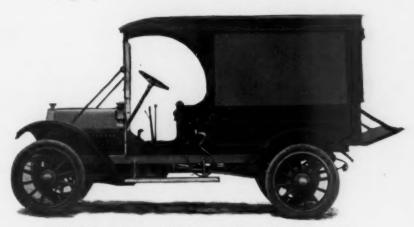
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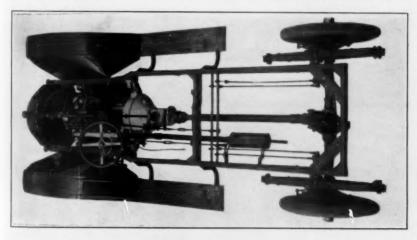
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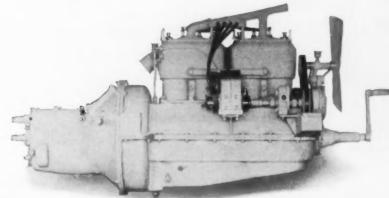
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The open express body has an inside floor space of 67 x 44 in., and the enclosed panel job has the same area, with a clear height of 54 in. The 110-in. wheelbase allows for a very moderate overhang this not exceeding 30 in. from the center line of the rear axle. The overall length of the car is approximately 11 ft. 6 in. Taking the floor area and converting it into sq. ft., the figure comes to 201/2. This, at the rated capacity



Right Side of Kosmath Unit Power Plant Note the neat and staunch construction throughout



Elevation of Kosmath Chassis

of 1000 lbs., gives a load ratio of 49 lbs. to a sq. ft., a very conservative figure which means that larger loads than the rated capacity can easily be carried. Although the ratio per sq. ft. is slightly less than in the majority of cars in this class, there should not be fear of excessive overloading, as the car is of exceeding sturdy construction, and any right-minded owner would see that the amount of space at its disposal was not continuously abused.

The standard equipment calls for pneumatic tires 32 x 3½ in., but in case larger tires are desired, 33 x 4 in. pneumatics will be fitted at an extra charge of \$25. The weight of the whole car, ready for delivery, is approximately 2400 lbs.

### SOME RECENT LARGE TRUCK SALES

Current sales of motor trucks reported by the White Company, of Cleveland, Ohio, include twenty-three trucks sold to department and drygoods stores, giving the White Company a total of over six hundred trucks in the service of one hundred and fifty leading retail establishments.

The New York firm of Saks & Company joined the White army with an initial order for ten trucks; Lord & Taylor bought a dumping truck; the G. M. McKelvey Company, of Youngstown, Ohio, which has used a White truck for nearly a year and a half, placed a repeat order for five trucks,

and the May Company of Cleveland, which has had four Whites in service for the past ten months, increased its equipment to eleven trucks.

Another sale of this company is that of three five-ton trucks to the Good Roads Company, contractors, of Baltimore, Md. These trucks will be built with power transmission tank bodies for sprinkling and spreading hot tar and other road-binding materials. The tank bodies will be built with a steam generator, and a series of interior steam pipes for maintaining the tar in the proper state of fluidity and the power transmission will operate an air compressor to force the fluid through the passages to the spreading outlet.



#### Commerce Dog Wagon for Detroit

It is used by the Detroit Police Department, and has a special body, which is partitioned by lattices, giving a number of individual compartments, available through doors on sides and rear. It is the product of the Commerce Motor Car Company, Detroit.

Babcock's Attleboro Express is operating a Peerless three-ton truck on a fixed schedule between Attleboro, Mass., and Providence, R. I. It formerly required twenty-five horses to do the work which is being done quicker and more satisfactorily by this truck. While there is ample trolley freight, express and railroad service between the two towns, the rates have been high, and the necessity of packing goods carefully, as well as the fact that such shipments usually require more time, have led to the practice of hauling a large amount of freight over the roads.

Toledo will spend \$200,000 for motor fire apparatus. The Safety Director has been authorized to advertise for bids.



New Velie One-Tonner

Gray & Davis electric lights and starter; Bosch magneto; Stromberg carburetor, and demountable rims. Tire equipment is either pneumatic or solid in rear, and pneumatic in front, at purchaser's option. Chassis price, \$2000. The car is offered by the Velie Motor Vehicle Company, Moline, Ill.



# TRVCK ACCESSERIES APPLIANCES



#### SPEEDOLENE AND ASBESTOLENE

Speedolene Lubricant Company, 14 James Street, Malden, Mass., is offering two new lubricants.

Speedolene is a comparatively new lubricant to the American market, as used in automobiles, motor trucks and motor boats. It consists of a high grade steam oil retained by the tough, silky fibre of asbestos. The fibre causes the mixture to everlastingly stick to the gear teeth, and at the same time renders a cushioning property, which is claimed to silence all noise in transmissions, differentials, worm gears, timing gears and enclosed chain drives, without gumming up or packing away. Its asbestos resistance to heat has many advantages. Speedolene will thoroughly lubricate all flat, ball and roller bearings. It contains no acid or silica or other injurious ingredient to metal. Speedolene is used in two consistencies, light and heavy.

Asbestolene is used on heavy gears, chains or cable in mills, etc., where it is desirable to stop noise and give perfect lubrication. It is made up of the same in gredients as "Speedolene" except that a cheaper grade of oil is used.

#### THE NATIONAL SPECIAL TIRE

These tires are the product of the National Rubber Company, Pottstown, Pa. The feature of this tire which recommends it for municipal service vehicles, ambulances, fire-apparatus, etc., is the fact that it has a specially reinforced carcass with nearly double the layers of fabric on the tread and the standard number of layers on the side walls. This reinforced construction makes it practically "puncture" and "blow-out" proof and gives many times the strength of the ordinary tire at the spot where the strength is most needed, without taking away from the flexibility of the side walls.

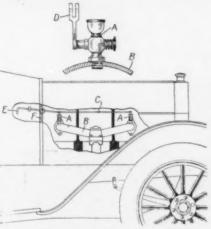


Section of National Special Casing

This tire is made of pure fine up-river Para rubber and the best selected long staple Sea Island cotton.

#### THE ECONOMY AIR ACCELERATOR

This device, to act as priming cups in starting a cold motor and to give greater mileage on gasoline, is being placed on the market by the B. H. Kamp Motor Commpany, Mount Carmel, Ill. The priming cups inserted in the intake manifold are operated by the throttle and feed air directly into the manifold. The air mixes with the vaporized gasoline, and gives a more economical mixture. The device sells at \$5



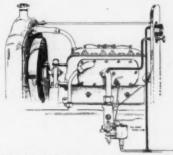
Economy Air Accelerator Showing also manner of attaching the device to intake manifold

#### THE BOSCH SPARK-PLUG HOOD

Another step toward eliminating trouble in the ignition system is this new Bosch product. The attachment consists of the Steatite hood and the insulated cap. The hood has asbestos packing on its lower surface, so that a moisture-proof joint is formed when the hood is placed over the regular spark plug. The hood has a groove in its top, so that the cable can be laid in the groove, with the loop terminal encircling the central pin of the plug. The cap, which is insulated, and can be removed without electrical shock, is screwed onto the thread on the plug's central pin. tightened, it bears down on the hood, preventing moisture from entering the cable groove and also holding the parts tight, preventing vibration and rattling. The hood sells at 45 cents and can be obtained at supply stores and all Bosch branches.

# THE "WEBB JAY" SUCTION PRIMER

To facilitate starting is the purpose of this device. As the cut shows, this device.  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in. in diameter and highly nickeled, is attached on the dash and attached to the fuel line and intake manifold by 3-16 in.



The Webb Jay Suction Primer in Place

piping. In operation, when stopping the motor, the priming valve is opened wide, then the switch turned off and the priming valve closed. The result is that a rich priming charge is drawn into the cylinders, which remains there ready for the next start. It saves time, labor, money and temper.

This device is being placed on the market by the Motor Devices Company, 2635 Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Ill. With all fittings it lists at \$6.



The Bosch Spark-Plug Hood Being fitted over the plug insulator. It simply drops into place

# THE NEWMASTIC NO-FELLOE PRESSED-STEEL WHEEL

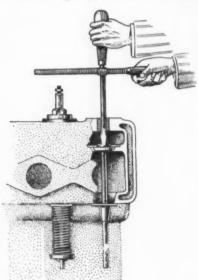
The No-Felloe Pressed Steel Wheel, made by the Newmastic Company, 68th and Broadway, New York City, is a newcomer and is entirely novel in construction. It is made in two halves which, when put together, have the shape and appearance of ordinary wood spokes and fit into an or-dinary wheel hub but have no felloe. These two halves are welded together and the end of each spoke receives a small pressed steel The tire carrying cup, bolt and a clip. channel or rim has on its under surface two annular grooves very similar to the grooves found on Firestone and Goodyear demountable rims. The clips on the end of the spokes are designed to grip these annular grooves with great pressure as each bolt is tightened. It is claimed for the pressed steel wheels that they are very strong and that they do not dry out, shrink or become loose.

#### THE MONARCH VALVE GRINDER

Martin Manufacturing Company, 511-15 Vine Street, Cincinnati, Ohio, is placing on the market a unique valve grinder. Illustration makes its operation easily understood. Packed in a box with complete instructions for use, it sells at \$1.50.

#### THE MOTOR FUEL CONSERVER

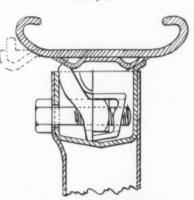
This device, for heating fuel, consists of a shell casting in the shape of a cylinder, with walls 3% in. thick. It is 1 in, in diameter and about 6 in. in length. In the center of the casing a brass tubing is placed, upper section of which is perforated with holes to admit the passage of heated air, The base of casting is constructed with a slotted opening, over which is placed a screen to prevent the admission of dust and other obstructions to inner chamber. The cylinder when installed is mounted on top of exhaust pipe, from which chamber is heated, and held in place by means of two metal straps. (No connection is made



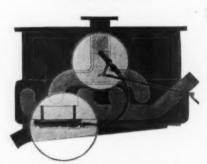
Monarch Valve Grinder in Use



No-Felloe Pressed-Steel Wheel The rim is attached by clips to the end of each spoke



Sectional View of the No-Felloe Pressed-Steel Wheel



Motor Fuel Conserver Applied

to exhaust gases.) A flexible tubing ¼ in. in size connects inner chamber with cut off valve, which is attached to motor 2 or 3 in. above carburetor.

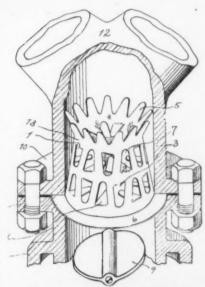
The Fuel Conserver is easily installed by drilling a 11-32 in. hole in manifold and using a ½-in. tap, standard pipe thread, and then inserting valve. The lever on valve is connected to plunger control button on steering column by means of rods, similar to throttle rods used for opening and closing throttle on carburetor. (When attaching, a ½ in. hole is drilled in dash for control rod.) The Fuel Conserver is operated from driver's seat by a slight touch of the finger tips on control button. Heated air being drawn into compression chambers of motor by the suction of pistons reduces the amount of gasoline that otherwise

would be taken into motor. The heat mixing with vapor in manifold expands gases and vaporizes the fuel so thoroughly that motor picks up speed, even under load, thereby giving an increased power on less fuel consumption. The device is the product of the Motor Fuel Conserver Company, 1019 Dime Bank Building, Detroit, Mich.

#### THE ROYAL-SILENT VAPORIZER

The Royal-Silent Motors Company, of Los Angeles, Cal., has recently placed on the market a fuel vaporizing device which is designed especially for vaporizing heavy oils, kerosene, distillate and the poorer grades of gasoline. High fuel saving records are claimed to have resulted in connection with the use of the device.

The illustration shows the Royal-Silent Vaporizer installed, with tilted tongues, some slanted upwards and others downwards. The mechanical action causes the raw spray to rotate in, first, a rotary and converging or compressing manner, by row of tongues marked 4. It then passes between row 5, which rotates it outwardly, portions of gas having to escape through the openings adjacent to the tongues. The row of tongues marked 3 again repeat the action of lower row number 4, rotating and compressing centrally and finally row number 2 whirls the spray outwardly, part passing through the side openings and then past outer row number 1, which has very sharply tilted tongues that twist the gas into a rapidly swirling column. The various currents are further multiplied, as the tongues do not quite meet, thus leaving a free central space, through which a sufficient amount of spray escapes with such rapidity as to cause a violent vacuum, which multiplies and agitates the whole order of regular currents, identical to the action of a powerful whirlpool. It breaks up the spray to a perfect minute vapor. This mixer and vaporizer sells at \$3 for all sizes and can be installed between the carburetor flange and intake pipe very readily.



Royal-Silent Vaporizer Installed

#### THE UTILITY COMPRESSOR— SOMETHING NEW IN COMPRESSORS

Six hundred lbs. pressure with .65 h.p. from a machine 5 in. in diameter, 13 in. in length, and weighing about 23 lbs. is certainly something new in air compression. The Utility No. 1, an eight-cylinder, 1-in.



The Utility Air Compressor

bore compressor, produced by the Utility Compressor Company, 355-63 Harper Avenue, Detroit, Mich., has shown these results, and the economy resulting from this exceptional increase in efficiency is so great as to give promise of a large adaption.

In designing this pump, the inventors have endeavored to embody in one unit, minimum friction, compactness, uninterrupted flow, standardized parts, a mechanical construction providing for the taking up of wearing parts, and dash system of oiling to automatically lubricate all wearing

The machine is air cooled and rotary driven, the rotary motion being converted into a reciprocatory motion of the eight pistons by a conical connecting rod which is pivoted on a universal joint of sufficient strength to take the entire end thrust of the pistons. The smaller end of the connecting rod is engaged in the rotary driving arm a sufficient distance from its center to permit of a 1 5-16 in. stroke in the piston. This imparts a circular, wave-like motion to the conical connecting rod and delivers the power in turn to each piston, there being about a ¼-in. lead between the pistons, thereby giving a continuous flow of air and a steady pull on the driving arm.

The rotary driving arm has a counterbalance weight to offset the conical connecting arm and eliminating vibrations—also a small blade which dashes the oil over all parts.

There is but one discharge valve for each cylinder-all mounted in one plate. The valve is cylindrical in shape, having a soft face against a hard seat. They are not ground, but peened, and by a very simple arrangement are held in a fixed position as far as rotation is concerned. They lift only .01 in. off their seat, making a noiseless valve and also eliminating all possibility of hammering. The valves are large and of sufficient length to almost preclude any wear in their retaining chamber. By removing eight cap screws, the head and the valve plate can be removed, and should any of the valves become leaky, they can be made as good as new by a few light taps with a hammer.

The intake is through a stationary port which is cut in all the cylinders in one operation. The pump proper consists of four semi-steel castings. The cylinders are cast en bloe. The rotary driving arm and the conical connecting rod and pistons are open hearth steel, the first two being drop forged, heat treated and tempered. There are two cast iron piston rings to each pis-

ton. The main rotary driving arm has a die cast, nickel-bronze, removable bushing of ample size to insure long life. The connecting rods are about 25% in. long and have a 5%-in. hardened ball at each end, and, in its entire travel the free end moves but about ½-in. out of the straight line, thus reducing wear on the piston end and insuring a straight push of the power applied.

The compressor in operation is exceedingly quiet, the large number of cylinders eliminating all puffing sound, and giving a low purring sound instead.

From a manufacturing standpoint all parts when finished are round, thereby permitting nearly all of them to be made on automatic machinery. This gives speed, accuracy and economy in manufacturing.

#### THE VOTEX GASOLINE SAVER

This is an instrument to be fitted in the inlet manifold of the gasoline motor just above the carburetor. It is entirely automatic in its operation, delivering a certain amount of air to the imperfect mixture,



The Votex

said to be received from the carburetor, as may be required according to the engine speed and position of the throttle. The Votex is about the size of a small watch and is easy to install and fits any gasoline motor.

In use, when the engine is running idle, the throttle is practically closed and the engine is acting as a suction pump, causing high vacuum in the intake manifold. Under these conditions, the mixture is stronger than necessary, and the Votex allows a very small amount of air to enter the intake manifold, partially relieving the suction and weakening the mixture. the throttle is opened quite wide, the vac uum in the manifold is relieved, and allows the Votex to close, thus a comparatively strong mixture which gives ample power for quick acceleration, is fed to the When the motor gets up to speed, the throttle is closed down, and a very high vacuum is again created in the manifold, thus allowing the Votex to open and feed a quantity of air to the cylinders, weakening the mixture to the economical point. The device is the product of the Sireno Company, 18-20 Rose Street, New York City, and sells at \$3.50 in nickel plate.

#### A NEW JASCO MUFFLER

Janney-Steinmetz Company, 4th and Market Streets, Philadelphia, Pa., is offering a new muffler, having, it is claimed, unusual compactness and efficiency. In the accompanying illustration the exhaust gases from the engine enter at the right, the diaphragm E preventing its further continuance through the tube, and the gases pass through the perforations D into the hemispherical cup G. It then passes out through the perforations H, but before it does, expands, radiates and performs work by pushing the cup G against its companion, in this way much of it being expended. After passing through the perforations H. it enters the angular chamber between the first and second cups, this chamber having very great radiating surface in comparison with its capacity. Thence it passes into the approximately spherical chamber formed by the next two cups, and then out of it into a second angular chamber, and through perforations H into the last cup, through perforations D, and out the slots F. The end walls of the muffler can be adjusted by means of the nuts, upon which they are mounted, and which travel on the inside

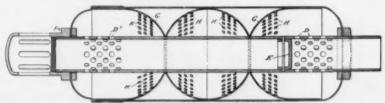
#### THE V-RAY "MIKA" SPARK PLUG

A fitting running mate of the V-Ray porcelain plug is the latest product, the "Mika" plug. Their secret process, it is stated, renders "Mika" distinctly different and better than commonplace mica which, in the past has been regarded with skepticism by some because of the tendency of ordinary mica to soak oil and disintegrate under excessive heat conditions.



Cut-Away Section of V-Ray "Mika" Spark Plug

It is claimed for the latest addition to the V-Ray "family" that their "Mika" plug will positively resist,—will be absolutely impervious to heat and oil. With this new adjunct, which has only been adopted as standard after thorough experimentation, the V-Ray company confines its line to its staple porcelain plug and this attractive new plug, the "Mika," a sectional view of which is shown herewith. The new "Mika" core interchanges perfectly with the Mica Lava plug formerly made by the V-Ray Company, of Marshalltown, Ia.



Sectional View of New Jasco Muffler

# NEW KNOX TRANSMISSION SHOWS MANY UNIQUE FEATURES

Knox Automobile Company, Springfield, Mass., has patented a transmission, in which all the bearings, shafts and gears can be removed as a unit, and still be in operative relation to one another. This is an advantage, as the unit can be removed for repairs and thoroughly adjusted before being placed back in its case.

The invention comprises a single casing in which the differential gearing and the transmission gearing is mounted. shafts of the transmission gearing have suitable bearings in two head members between which members a cage like support-ing frame connects. With all the shafts provided with bearings in the two heads of this frame-like structure, the casing is so constructed that the frame structure, together with its shafts and their gears, may be placed in the casing in suitable support-ing surfaces. With this construction the two head members and the connecting frame can be removed from the casing or placed therein at will, and whether in the casing or out of it, the transmission shafts with their gears being supported by the head members can turn in their bearings and the transmission gearing can operated at will.

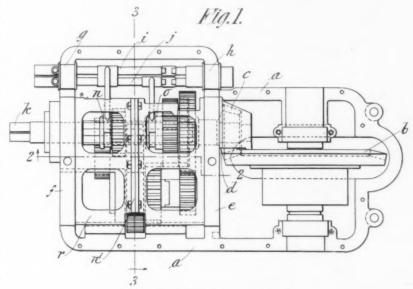
Referring to the drawings, in which like reference characters refer to the same parts throughout the several views. Fig. 1 is a plan view of the assembled transmission gearing, differential gearing and shifting rods for said transmission gearing, all in place in the lower half of the casing adapted to contain said parts. Fig. 2 is a sectional view on the line 2-2 of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a cross sectional view through the casing and the transmission parts as assembled, taken on line 3-3 of Fig. 1. The upper and the lower half of the casing are designated by a (see Figs. 1 and 3). Suitable supporting bearings are provided in the casing a for the differential gearing b as indicated in Fig. 1. The gear shifting rods i and j are operated through supporting members h and g, which are provided with suitable registering surfaces in the casings a and b. These shifting rods have right angle extensions, extending to the clutches o and n of the transmission gearing.

The transmission gearing proper is supported in suitable bearings in the two head members e and f, which, as shown, are circular in form and fit into the casing to be bound therein by suitable fastening devices in a manner obvious from the drawings (see Figs. 1 and 2). Between these head members e and f, there is a connecting

frame r which, as shown, is provided with openings at various places either to allow certain of the gears to extend therefrom or to lighten the construction. The frame structure is made in two parts which are connected by the flanges n, bound together by fastening devices. When it is desired to take the transmission mechanism out of the casing as positioned therein in Fig. 1 it is only necessary to remove the top half of

intermediate drive in one direction as well as a reverse drive. The main shaft k is squared, and has on one end the beveled gear d, which drives the differential gear b. In order to properly support this beveled gear d, an extension of the head e is provided, as at c which is cast on said head to form an end bearing for the shaft k.

With the construction described, it is clear that if it is ever necessary to over-



Plan of New Knox Transmission

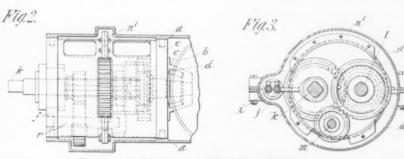
the casing a, then lift vertically the supporting members g and h to free the members from the casing, and then move it horizontally so that the right angled forked extensions will leave the clutch members and n. If the fastening devices for the head members e and f are now loosened, these members, together with the connecting frame r, and the transmission shafts with their gears can be lifted as a unit from the casing a and placed where desired. It will be noted that when the transmission gearing is thus lifted from the casing none of the parts thereof are disturbed in their relation to each other so that the transmission mechanism can be operated in the head members independently of the casing.

In the device shown, the transmission mechanism comprises a main shaft k (see Fig. 3), a counter shaft l and a reverse stud shaft m of the usual construction with the usual gearing held thereon to give a direct drive in one direction, a low drive and an

haul the transmission mechanism or adjust the same or repair it in any manner the same can be removed from the casing which ordinarily holds it, taken to a convenient place, and operated to find out where it needs adjustment or repairs, and, after such repairs are made, the transmission mechanism can again be operated to test and determine its accurate operation before it is re-inserted in its casing. This sort of a structure greatly facilitates both the assembling and the repairing of transmission mechanism ordinarily used in automobiles.

#### GARCO ASBESTOS BRAKE-BAND LINING

This lining is constructed of a highgrade asbestos metallic yarn and proofed with a special compound. The construction gives it a surface, that is particularly adapted for brakes, and the material is the best known to resist the heat, generated in the hard usage of this service. It is compact and strong, and will resist wear. It will not absorb water or oil, and is not affected by contact with same or with acids. The properties of this material, as well as the method of construction make it particularly adapted to the service for which it is intended. This lining is being placed on the market by the General Asbestos and Rubber Company, Charleston, S. C. price ranges from 40 cents a ft. for 1-in. width and 1/8 in. thickness to \$2.20 for 4-in. width and 1/4-in. thickness.



Elevation and End Views of New Knox Transmission

#### LITTLEFORD STEEL TRUCK BODIES

Realizing the rapidly increasing demand for all steel bodies for automobile trucks, Littleford Brothers, a well-known Cincinnati, Ohio, concern has determined to enter the field. Littleford Brothers is an old and well established concern, having been in the sheet steel and iron working business since 1881. During the last few years they have manufactured steel bodies for quite a number of automobile truck makers in and around Cincinnati, and their work has proved to be such a success that they have determined to expand their efforts and develop this branch along with other lines of their business.

of their business.

Although the Littleford steel body is just being introduced to the automobile public, it is by no means in the experimental stage. Originating three years ago in a shop where the working of sheet metal is the chief industry, it has grown and been developed by men thoroughly familiar with this line of trade into a particularly well designed, durable and attractive article.

In designing this body the first consideration has been strength and efficiency. No superfluous weight has been added, nor has the strength of the whole been impaired in order to reduce weight and save material. The body proper is made of wide sheets of heavy steel, neatly formed up to shape and securely riveted to rigid stiffeners. In this particular, it may be said that this is especially well designed. The company has realized the importance of a substantial framework and the unsightly appearance of a body with its sides and ends bulging from the internal pressure created by the load, and has built the bodies in a framework which gives perfect assurance against any such calamity. The stiffeners are of rolled forms, closely spaced and encircle the entire body. At all points where they cross the channel subframe, they are attached to it with heavy forgings.

The riveting on these bodies has been given especial attention and combines with

the whole in its general appearance of strength and durability. The rivets are equally spaced and are exceptionally close. They are all carefully driven into countersunk holes on the inside with a button head on the outside of the body, thus adding to the general neatness of appearance. The inside of the body is smooth and perfectly free from any obstructions, thus facilitating the dumping and cleaning of the body and also presenting no weak spots or points that will be subjected to excessive wear.

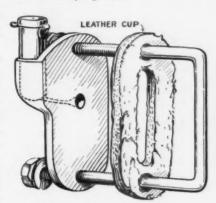
The appearance of this body is a point which the manufacturers have carefully watched. It is constructed throughout by the best skilled labor and every effort is made to keep it free of any hammer marks, nicks, etc. All corners are carefully rounded, so that the finished article is exceptionally clean cut and pleasing to the eye as well as being thoroughly workmanlike and substantial.

In designing the minor features of this body such as the tail gate, tail gate latch, etc., no particular principle has been adhered to. The designers have worked out a number of clever features in this line and present them to the purchaser in catalog form in order that he may select the style which is particularly adapted to his purpose, and consequently get perfect satisfaction. The fact that every truck manufacturer's requirements are different has been realized, and Littleford Brothers have provided accordingly. They are equipped to manufacture steel bodies of any special design.

#### THE GRUS LEAF SPRING OILER

This device, to lubricate the leaves of automobile springs, is very simple and readily attached. As the cut shows, it consists of a malleable iron plate, which has at its top an oil cup, and a duct through the plate to its inner surface. The plate is attached in a vertical position one-third the distance from the center of the spring, regardless of

the leaf arrangement. It is held in position by a clip passing around the spring and held by nuts and washers on the outside surface of the oiler plate. A leather cup, whose center is cut out, as shown, is interposed between the oiler plate and the sides of the spring leaves.



The Grus Spring Leaf Oiler
The reserve cup holds sufficient lubricant for a
week's use

The oil cup holds sufficient engine oil, which is to be used, for a week's ordinary usage. The oil works in between the leaves from the leather cup. As the leather cup wears, the clips are tightened, and the leather cups may have to be renewed once a year. The oilers are made in sizes from 1 to 2¼ in., this dimension being the thickness of the spring at the point of application. The device is the product of William Grus, Jr., & Company, 5213 Wayne Avenue, Chicago.

#### RIDE-OVER SPRING LUBRICATORS

Avery, P. L. Company, Jackson Street, Milwaukee, Wis., has brought out a new method of lubricating spring leaves on motor trucks, consisting of thin strips of graphite which are slid between the leaves.

This outfit consists of fifty strips of graphite and a tool for separating the leaves. They give lasting lubrication and easy riding and quiet springs. A box of fifty sells at \$1; a leaf separator is furnished with it at \$1.50.

#### NO MORE RUST RIM PAINT

One of the most valuable articles for the motor car owner is a good rim paint because much time, temper and labor are consumed by car owners in the changing of tires from time to time, and especially is this true in the summer time when blowouts are most frequent, due to the air in tires, which expands under summer heat.

The Atlas Auto Supply Company, of Chicago, Ill., manufactures No More Rust Rim Paint. The manufacturers state that when rims are painted with No More Rust Rim Paint the tire will slip on and off with one hand. No More Rust Rim Paint is applied with a brush in a few minutes' times, and, besides preventing casings from rusting to the rim, it also prevents inner tubes from rusting where exposed to the rim.

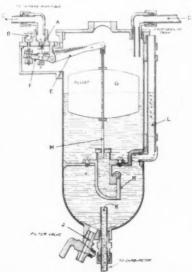


Littleford Steel Truck Body This is a four-ton coal hauler

## THE STEWART-WARNER VACUUM GRAVITY GASOLINE SYSTEM

A third type of gasoline system, said to have advantages over the two systems now in use, is being brought out by the Stewart-Warner Speedometer Corporation.

This system provides a gravity feed to the carburetor float chamber at all times and allows for the designing of bodies as low as desired. It consists of a small tank placed on the motor side of the dash, or directly on the engine where the base admits of a bracket to hold it. One lead connects with a gasoline tank in the rear, and which tank need not be of air-tight construction; neither need the filler cap be a tight fit, as an open vent is necessary on the rear tank. The outlet from the Gravity Vacuum tank to the carburetor need be but 3 in. above the top of the float chamber in the carburetor, which means that the carburetor can be installed



Sectional Diagram of Gravity Vacuum Tank of Stewart-Warner Gravity Vacuum Gasoline System

close against the intake manifold,—a position where carburetion is benefited by reason of its getting the heat from the motor, and also a position where it can be readily and easily gotten at for purpose of adjustment.

The Gravity Vacuum Tank consists of two chambers, the upper one the filling chamber, and the lower one the reservoir, holding about one quart of gasoline in reserve at all times. The filling of this Gravity Vacuum Tank is accomplished by tapping the intake manifold at a point nearest the cylinders. The suction of the intake draws the gasoline from the gasoline reservoir in the rear of the car into this Gravity Vacuum Tank. This draws but 1/24 of a gallon at each float operation. The amount of air thus displaced makes no difference whatsoever with the gas mixture in the motor. The gasoline, being sucked up into this small tank, operates a float valve. When this valve has risen to a certain mark it automatically shuts off the suction of air and opens the tank to atmospheric conditions. lower chamber is always open to atmospheric conditions, so that the filling of the upper chamber in no way interferes with the supply of gasoline to the carburetor.

The above description may be better understood by referring to the accompanying diagram. C is the line to intake mani-While the drawing does not show it, there is a small check valve located in this suction line, just above the valve A. D is the line to the gasoline supply reservoir at the rear of the car. A is the suction valve for opening and closing the connection from the intake manifold, and through which the vacuum is forced. is shown as closed. B is the atmospheric valve and is shown as open. It is impossible to have both of these valves A and B, open or closed at the same time. No particular adjustment of these valves is necessary, in that opening the suction valve from 1/32 to 1/4 in. will not affect its operation, showing that fine adjustment is not necessary. G is the float in the upper chamber, which regulates the operation of these valves A and B. It is now shown in its top position, just when the upper chamber has been filled with gasoline, and the suction valve is closed while the atmospheric valve has just opened. The gasoline is now flowing from the chamber into the lower chamber through the trap valve H. The gasoline in the upper chamber is always under atmospheric pressure, due to the air vent L which is always open. The suction in the top chamber of the tank in no way interferes with the continual, even flow of gasoline to the carburetor from the lower chamber because of the suction closing the valve H tight, while the upper chamber is being filled.

As the gasoline in the upper chamber flows into the lower chamber, as soon as the float reaches the lowest position, the lever E has lowered to such a position that it actuates the valve lever F, and this in turn closes the valve B against the atmospheric pressure and again opens valve A when the suction from the intake manifold again commences to draw the gasoline from the tank in the rear of the car.

The connection to the carburetor is through the line at K. This extends 1 in above the bottom of the lower chamber of the tank, for the purpose of preventing water or sediment from getting into the carburetor. This water and sediment is drawn off through the filter valve J. This filter valve J is also very convenient in case one wants to get gasoline easily for such purposes as priming the cylinders, cleaning purposes, etc. Should this tank be entirely empty, it requires only three to five turns of the motor with the throttle closed to draw enough gasoline into the tank to start the motor.

The only time that the suction from the tank shows any effect on the speed of the motor is when the engine is turning over idle at a slow speed, and then a very slight change only will be noticed. Under normal conditions the suction valve is open about 2 seconds.

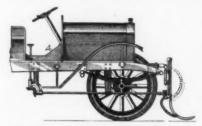
As regards the possibility of the suction carrying gas into the engine manifold, less than a teaspoonful has been drawn with the engine running under a load for one hour. This amount of gasoline is due to what little saturation there might be of the

air, because of its coming in contact with the gasoline. Under normal conditions the gasoline pressure in the carburetor varies only ¼ of an ounce.

There is no danger of either the suction valve or the atmospheric valve sticking in their seats, as the small lever or bar to which these valves are attached travels about ¼ in. above, and strikes the valve in its way, which prevents any tendency there might be for the valve to stick. The springs attached to the levers are made out of No. 28 gauge bronze, and have a stretch of only ¼ in. so that the springs should last a lifetime.

# THE "COMMERCIAL" SAFETY AUTO FENDER

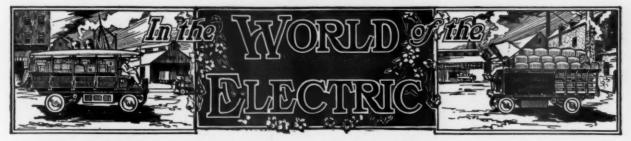
The Automobile Fender Equipment Company, 311-30 N. Dearborn Street, Chicago, Ill., has perfected and is placing on the market a truck fender, as shown in the accompanying illustration. The features include such conveniences as quick detachment and swinging or opening out so as to permit complete access to a machine for inspecting, repairing or cranking; outside of



Side View of "Commercial" Safety Auto Fender

this, the design is strictly an appliance that will prevent the machine or wheels from running over any one that is unfortunate enough to be struck and knocked down in the path of the car, and through its strong. substantial back frame, it gives a person an opportunity to catch or hold on to and receive protection until machine can be stopped. By using the best of seamless steel tubing, 1/2 in. fillers, 5/8 in. frame with 1-in. supporting back frame, which is directly connected with the machine by two strong hinges and having the front rod that runs close to surface incased with rubber tubing the best construction is insured. A fender should be attached so as to keep within 6 in, in front of the wheels and there is no necessity for a projecting member to extend beyond 18 in. in front of the wheels, and by easy manipulation from the driver's seat, the fender can be adjusted to meet all road conditions and provide a road clearance of 10 to 15 in., if found necessary. This is acomplished by folding the fender by driver's control and is done easily and quickly. It retails at \$40 in black enamel finish.

This device is made in two sizes, No. 1 for trucks built on the order of the White, Chase, G. M. C., Le Moon, Buick, Mack. federal, etc., and No. 2 for the Standard, Kelly, Packard, Alco and other large trucks.



# The Electric Vehicle in Parcel-Post Service for Economy and Reliability



HE Electric Vehicle Association of America, having the co-operation of the National Electric Light Association, proposes to render such collaboration as will enable the Post Office Department authorities to recognize the value which has been accredited by the

most conservative business organizations throughout the country to the electric vehicle as a transportation utility in city services; and furthermore, the possibilities of its comparative economy when applied to the functions desired in the haulage and delivery of Parcel Post material.

Active committees of these two associations have been formed to render co-operative assistance to the executives of the Post Office Department.

One of the purposes in view is to make known the many and particularly interesting reasons, not yet fully appreciated, as to why the electric vehicle has superior advantages over any other type of vehicle for transportation purposes within the limitations of city and suburban service, as distinguished from either long-distance service or rural delivery. The electric type of machine has been evolved under the most rigorous and exacting service during the past fifteen years and as a successful device in quantity installations for commercial purposes has commanded the endorsement and the investment of the merchant community.

Some Impressive Electric Truck Investments

Many million dollars have been invested in electric commercial vehicles by the most conservative business organizations in the country, including express companies and investments have been made in any other type of commercial motor vehicle.

Wherever they have been installed within the field of their rational application they have not only remained, but by influence of their economy have forced increase in their



Electric Parcel-Post Delivery at Indianapolis

others to whom reliability of transportation equipment is of vital importance, and, as stated above, no corresponding collective number. For some years they have been successfully employed in considerable numbers by many government departments such as the Navy Department, Treasury Department, Government Printing Office, the Insular Bureau and by some contractors in the service of the Post Office Department.

An approximation of the value of some of these large investments is as follows:

Express and transfer companies	\$3.010.000.00
Public service companies	3,671,000.00
Department stores	5,627,000.00
Packing-house organizations	609,000 00
Breweries	5.350,000.00
Wholesale merchants and manu-	
facturers	2,088,000,00
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#### Electric Parcel-Post Delivery in New York City

For postal service in the United States it seems evident that motor vehicles must necessarily supersede the older horse-vehicle equipment and during the past five or six years a number of motor vehicles have been employed. Conspicuous among these has been the satisfactory performance of 20 to 30 electric machines in service in New York City during the four-year contract period recently closed.

Twelve of these electric trucks are now in service, making deliveries from nineteen



Electric Trucks of the Government Printing Office, Washington

postal sub-stations in New York to addresses of large and heavy packages sent through the parcel post. This service was begun with the inauguration of the parcel post, seven vehicles having been used during the first months, fifteen for a subsequent period, and later, due to changes in the system, this number has been reduced to the twelve mentioned.

not including the wages of the carrier, was \$5.60. The unit costs were as follows:

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From a consideration of the foregoing, it will be realized that the application of motor vehicles to parcel post transportation offers considerable opportunity for expeDenver company, however, has arrangements with over sixty drug stores, located in various parts of the city, whereby consumers are enabled to pay their monthly bills in their own vicinity. This condition does not permit these consumers to come to the main office and, consequently, they miss the opportunity of being familiar with the various lines displayed in the show-rooms.

The aggressive commercial spirit of this company saw fit to take the showroom, as it were, to the premises of these and other consumers. The city is divided into four-teen territories, each being managed by a company representative. These fourteen representatives and their associates decided that the best idea to use in assisting them to get their wares in the visions of their prospects was to purchase a commercial car and have it assigned to each territory at regular intervals, upon which day the representative personally conducted the route of the truck in reaching his prospects.

The truck purchased was a two-ton Baker electric, with a large platform body, as shown in the illustration. This car carries a number of the different types of ranges, gas water heaters and electrical appliances, arranged so as to allow an aisle, facilitating close inspection. The customers are invited from their houses to inspect the appliances on the truck, a portable staircase being attached to the rear of the vehicle.

This commercial car furnishes a service for this company that no other equipment would provide. In the first place, its circulation on the city streets attracts at-tention to the electric car. In addition, the factor of safety is very evident. Had horses been employed, and the attendants on the truck were engaged in the rear of the vehicle or on the steps with their prospects, and had, for any reason, the horses started, some injury might have resulted to a customer. The truck also permits of a higher rate of speed than horses, and lastly it demonstrates the versatility of the electric truck and proves that is is by no means restricted to transportation uses. This proved a paying proposition, and the truck paid for itself the first season.



Electric Trucks at the United States Navy Yard, Boston

During the month of December, 1913, in 27 days these machines travelled 7,111 miles and delivered 98,243 parcels. At this rate the parcel-post truck fleet covered an average distance of 263 miles per day or 22 miles per individual vehicle. These vehicles it chould be noted have, however, capacities of 45 miles per charge. Deliveries were made at the rate of 3628 parcels per day, or about 303 per day per vehicle. The average distance traveled per package delivered was 0.0724 miles, or 382 feet. At the rental paid by the Government for this delivery service the average cost per parcel was 3.3 cents, not including, however, the salary of the carrier who accompanied the truck on its round and made the actual deliveries.

In addition to the electric trucks just mentioned a number of large machines are used for mail haulage between the New York City depots and postal stations. Some of these cars have been in service five or six years, having been used 24 hours per day and every day in the year during much of this period. Such mail service according to those familiar with its requirements is one of the most exacting to which motor trucks can be applied.

#### Parcel-Post Delivery Data From Indianapolis

The three electric delivery wagons used by the Indianapolis Post Office have proven very reliable and it is declared have never failed to perform any service that they have been called upon to do. In point of speed and mileage they have been found ample for parcel delivery, for the requirements in this direction are well within the range of their capacity. In a seven-hour working day these electric wagons averaged 271.5 parcels in 189 stops over a distance of 18.75 miles. The cost of the day's run.

diency and economy in the conduct of any program which the Postoffice Department may determine upon. In the solution of the questions involved, the proposed collaboration by the Electric Vehicle Association of America and the National Electric Light Association should be of material assistance to the Department.

# USING AN ELECTRIC AS A TRAVELING SHOWROOM

A decided innovation in gas stove sales methods has been made by the Denver Gas & Electric Light Company, Denver, Colo. The usual custom with gas companies is to have a display and salesroom where the people have to come to pay their bills. The



A Truck for Demonstrating Gas Stoves
A two-ton Baker Electric used by the Denver Gas and Electric Light Company
for a traveling showroom

### ELECTRICS IN DETROIT By LEN G. SHAW

An unusual condition, and one which furnishes a striking commentary on the efficiency of motor trucks, exists in Detroit, Mich. All the national express companies have offices there, and all are keen after business. The Adams Express Company is among the number, ranking a close second if, indeed, it does not take first place in the volume of traffic handled. Herein lies the curious feature of the situation—the Adams Express Company has no steam road connections out of Detroit. Its business is handled over the interurban lines which reach out in every direction, eventually of course putting it in touch with steam lines.

In spite of what would at first thought seem an insuperable barrier, the Adams Express Company not only handles an immense amount of traffic, but handles it in an eminently satisfactory manner. To do this a fleet of twenty-five electric trucks are employed, making pick-ups and delivering goods consigned to Detroit concerns. This is several times the number of motor trucks employed by its nearest competitor and to this fact is attributed much of the success achieved. The company is able to cover the city thoroughly, and get express matter started promptly, as well as to make deliveries in a hurry. And in the express business time is money.

The trucks are all General Motor Company electrics. There are seventeen one-ton, five one and one-half ton, and three three-ton. Twenty-three of these went into commission November 15, 1912, the others having been added since that time. They average 30 miles apiece daily. The company maintains its own garage at 143 Howard Street, where the cars are cared for in every detail. All expense in connection with their-operation is carefully tabulated, and it is possible to tell at a glance just what each truck is accomplishing.

During the winter months, when conditions are particularly unfavorable, the cost of operating these trucks averages \$4.25 per day apiece. In good weather the average is around \$3.50. This includes all overhead expense, driver's wages, recharging, replacements, tires, and repainting and overhauling once each year, this being an

established rule of the company. The cars are in commission every day.

So closely allied to the express business in the nature of their work are the two oneton trucks employed by Farrand, Williams Clark, wholesale druggists in Detroit, that the showing made is of interest at this time. The trucks are G-M-C, equipped with two A6 Edison 60-cell batteries each. From March 1, 1913, to February 28, 1914, the total expense of operating these two trucks was \$1,115.50. This included garage expenses, the cars being kept at a public place-washing every night, electricity, and minor adjustments. In this is incorporated \$94 for changing the solution on batteries, a bill of \$150 for repairs being covered by the garage guarantee. The trucks were in operation 275 days, the total mileage for each car being approximately 15,000. The total number of stops with packages was 34,312, an average of considerably more than two to a mile.

#### THE E. V. A. TO DISCUSS FREIGHT-TERMINAL CONGESTION

On April 24th, Fred A. Hortter, Car Accountant, Boston & Maine Railroad System, will present a paper entitled "The Effect of Power Wagon Operation on Terminal Freight Congestion," before the Electric Vehicle Association at its headquarters in the United Engineering Societies Building, 29 West 39th Street, New York City.

Mr. Hortter's paper is based on extended investigations conducted over a period of more than five years in both railroad and steamship fields.

A large attendance is expected; and a number of prominent operating railroad and steamship officials will take part in the discussion.

#### WASHINGTON SECTION OF ELEC-TRIC VEHICLE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA FORMED

On Thursday evening, March 12th, the organization meeting of the Washington Section of the Electric Vehicle Association was held in the offices of the Potomac Electric Power Company of that city. The Washington Section is the fourth branch of the Association, which has over six hundred members. Other Sections, aside from

the activities in New York—headquarters of the Association, have been organized in Boston, Chicago and Philadelphia with the likelihood of other Sections being established at an early date.

President Smith addressed the new Sec-

The officers of the Washington Section are: E. S. Marlow, Chairman; R. B. Emerson, Vice-Chairman, and C. M. Marsh, Secretary and Treasurer with offices at the Potomac Power Company, 231 14th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

#### PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS OF ELECTRIC MOTORS

The monthly meeting of the Electric Vehicle Association of America was held at the Engineering building, New York City on March 24th. A paper entitled, "The Performance Characteristics of Electric Motors and Their Influence on the Operation of Electric Trucks," was presented by T. H. Schoepf, of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company, Pittsburgh, Pa. In addition a report of the activities of the association during the past month was read by the secretary.

It was generally agreed that the use of the two types of motors, one for hilly work and the other for level country, in the same truck models was not desirable, first, because it was undesirable to carry two types of motors in stock, this lack of standardization increasing the manufacturing cost. Secondly, because it was impossible to make the two motors fit into the same space in the chassis. Thirdly, sometimes a truck is used for a period of time in one section of the country and then sold and used in some other section, where the character of the road is entirely different. Therefore a truck designed for level country and equipped with a high speed saturated motor would not give the best satisfaction if transferred to a hilly section, where an unsaturated motor should be used.

Fuller Electric Company, Detroit, has designed a large electric bus along the lines of a double-decker street car. This is to take the place of the regular electric street cars running on rails.



Fleet of G. M. C. Electrics Operated by the Adams Express Company, in Detroit

#### WESTON-MOTT HISTORY



HE history of the Weston-Mott Company dates back to the year 1884, during the early days of the safety bicycle. At that time the industry consisted of the manufacture of bicycle hubs, rims and wire spokes. The decline of the bicycle business

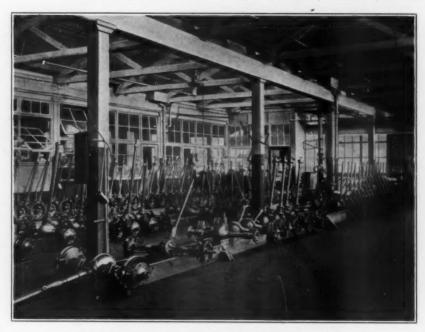
made it necessary to branch out into another line and wire wheels and naked axles for buggies and runabouts were brought out. The output was further increased by the manufacture of jinricksha wheels for Asia and Africa, invalid chairs, sulky, light agricultural implement and push cart wheels, in fact the development of all kinds of high grade wire wheels.

In 1898 the factory at Utica, N. Y., was built and the company was right in line to furnish wire wheels for automobiles which came very soon thereafter in quantities very large for those days and the factory capacity had to be increased. Then almost without warning the bottom fell out of the wire wheel industry and it was necessary to switch to the making of hubs and rims for artillery wheels as now used on motor cars, and as the automobile makers insisted upon purchasing their hubs where they bought their axles, it was quickly recognized that the company must make axles.

In 1905 the company was approached regarding the establishment of a branch factory in Michigan, and as the limit of the Utica plant had been reached, it was decided to leave it altogether and build a new factory in Flint of very latest construction where all requirements of manufacturing at lowest possible cost could be met. In 1907 the factory of 60,000 ft. of floor space was opened and before long this was found to be entirely too small to take care of the increasing business. Since the two additions have been made to the original No. 1 plant which are called Nos. 1, 2 and 3

plants, with a total of 180,000 sq. ft. of floor space and at which plant are manufactured only rear axles. No. 4 plant has since been completed and consists of three floors with 90,000 sq. ft. of floor space. In this plant are manufactured only hubs and rims. No. 5 plant was then built and

In 1909, 25,000 sets of axles, hubs and rims were built and this year more than 75,000 sets will be shipped. The pay roll of the company is nearly \$2,000,000 per year. The line of manufacture now is confined to automobile axles, hubs and rims. In axles the I-beam predominates, but the



Final Inspection of Rear Axles in the Weston-Mott Plant

is used exclusively for the manufacture of front axles. The Weston-Mott modern heat-treating plant was recently built and is the most up-to-date building of its kind in the country. It is built entirely of steel and concrete and has 20,000 ft. of space, making a total of 380,000 sq. ft.

manufacture of the tubular type is continued on a small scale. The rear axles are of bevel and chain type and both ball roller bearings are used. In the evolution of the business, trade requirements have grown very strict as to quality, design and noise and the company has developed a large engineering department with fully equipped chemical and physical laboratories, master mechanics, experimental, cost and accounting departments to meet all conditions, with the result that the Weston-Mott Company stands in the foremost ranks of its line and is the largest producer of automobile axles, hubs and rims in the world.

The officers of the company are: C. S. Mott, president; H. H. Bassett, general manager; H. J. Mallery, comptroller; D. K. Moore, sales manager; F. A. Bower, chief engineer; W. N. Edson, purchasing agent.



Part of the Weston-Mott Front-Axle Plant

#### SCHOOL FOR DRIVERS OF MOTOR TRUCKS

By S. V. NORTON

Manager Goodrich Truck Tire Sales

It has been most interesting to me to learn the various ways in which truck manufacturers and their representatives are improving the service given to owners of their trucks. For instance, realizing the importance of well trained, experienced drivers, one company in Boston has established a drivers' school, in which young men are given a thorough training in the care and operation of their trucks. These

men are guaranteed positions after they satisfactorily complete the course of instruction required in this school, which consists of learning the details of construction, as well as everything in connection with the operation of this particular make of truck.

Part of Hub Department of the Weston-Mott Plant

As this school is conducted in a very practical manner, the drivers have unusual opportunities for learning how to care for The agent who conducts this trucks. school makes a strong point of his ability to keep in continuous service the trucks operated in his territory. Suppose, for instance, that a truck belonging to one of his customers has met with some accident, such as may happen to any machine on the road. The driver of the truck sends a for help to this agency. truck is immediately dispatched to the scene of the accident in charge of an experienced driver accompanied by several of the young men of the drivers' school.

This affords the students an opportunity to learn what has caused the accident and how to remedy the trouble. The disabled truck is either repaired or its merchandise is transferred to the service truck with a minimum of delay, and the goods are immediately sent on their way. The student drivers have learned how to cope with a new situation, while the owner of the truck in distress has received valuable assistance, which has enabled him to continue the service for which his truck was purchased.

This drivers' school is of much benefit to the truck sales agent because when he sells a truck he is at once in position to furnish a competent driver, thus overcoming one of the most serious obstacles to the introduction of motor driven delivery service.

A tractor is being used to haul a string of trailers from Los Angeles to the coast, a distance of 20 miles. William A. Rider, the inventor. is at work trying the tractor as an agricultural device, with plows, cultivators, etc., attached.

### SOME TRUCK DON'TS

Don't use a five-ton truck for pleasure work, nor a 1500-lb, truck to meet the requirements of a three-ton truck. Delivery at minimum cost is governed primarily by the construction of the truck and its purchaser to continue this policy would is great, such as when lumber is hauled, the proportion of the load carried on the rear axle is increased. Allow for this in tire equipment. It is well to remember that in all cases the truck should be loaded as far forward as possible.

Don't buy truck tires until you study your road conditions—differentiate between country and city driving, between street conditions in different cities, between gas and electric driven vehicles and between equipment suitable for rear wheels as against the front.

Don't neglect to keep the clutch in good working order, and thus avoid quick starting strains on the rear tires.

Don't apply brakes suddenly—also keep brakes in uniform adjustment so that both wheels will share equally in breaking the motion of the truck. Considerable damage from skidding the tires and straining the fastening device and the rims is thus avoided.

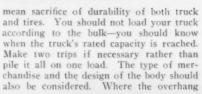
Don't pass a week without going over all the nuts and bolts on your truck, including rims, to see that they are tight.

Don't fail to give the wheels frequent attention. Worn bearings and other irregularities permit wheels to wobble. Also take measurements for alignment. Do these things and avoid the quick wearing down of the tires.

Don't overlook the steering wheel. Be on watch for bent steering knuckles, connecting rods or too much play in steering wheel.

Don't drive in car tracks or you will weaken and break down your tires. Don't use any other but a removable rim which will permit the frequent interchange and reversing of tires so that all four tires will wear down evenly.

Don't forget that rubber has a limit to its strength and when taxed beyond that point damage to both tires and truck is to be expected.





Inspecting Rear Axle Housings in the Weston-Mott Plant

### How the Baltimore Bargain House Doubled the Efficiency of Its \$60,000 Commercial Car Installation

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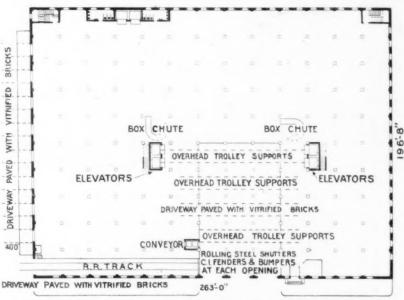
The driver operates one of the chain blocks less than 2 minutes for removing the body, and 2 minutes for putting a loaded one in place, instead of spending from an hour to an hour and a quarter hustling cases and barrels.

This whole operation, as seen by the writer, occupied about 5 minutes, and could even be done in less time if there was any reason to make a record. The chains are then unhooked, the driver jumps into his truck, and is off again in from 5 to 6 minutes from the time he entered the building, and this is not a show performance, but is going on steadily all day, every day and by the entire fleet of seventeen trucks.

This installation includes eleven five-ton G. V.'s, two three and one-half-ton G. V.'s, one two-ton G. V., all made by the General Vehicle Company, Long Island City, N. Y., and one five-ton C. T. truck of the Commercial Truck Company of America, Philadelphia, and one two-ton Pierce-Arrow, worm-driven gasoline truck, and one three-ton Packard truck. This is the present fleet.

#### All Horses Are to be Sold

Since the introduction of this system the efficiency of the trucks has been doubled, making this \$60,000 investment equivalent to a \$120,000 equipment. The work is being done so rapidly, and so economically by motor-driven vehicles that horses cannot be considered, and the eight remaining teams are to be sold, making it an all motor in-



The First-Floor Plan of Storage Warehouse, With Overhead Trolleys
This enormous warehouse, containing over 440,000 square feet, is entered by railroad, also by
motor-driven trucks. The triplex block overhead trolleys and removable truck body system is used.

as well as every kind of mechanical device to assist the handling of merchandise.

stallation. Orders are already in for five more vehicles, which are to be delivered by the 1st of July, and the probabilities are that ten more will be put in service by the 1st of the year.

#### Virtually Increased Loading Space One Hundred Per Cent

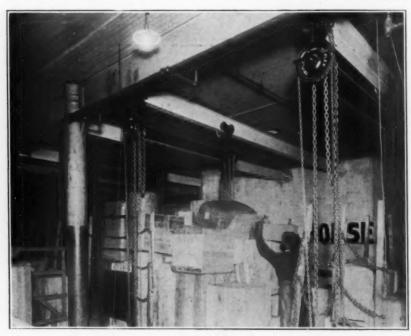
This system became effective only December last, but there could be immediately seen a saving in the cost of operation, but this will be very much more effectively shown at the end of this year. The loading formerly took in the neighborhood of an hour, which meant that each of these valuable units had to be standing idle that length of time. The saving of one hour a day per trip means an average saving of four hours a day per truck, which figured on a basis of 2 cents per 100 lbs carried, makes a total saving of \$2400 per year per truck, on a basis of three hundred working days a year. As floor space at the present loading platforms was at a premium, a saving is also credited to this system as it has increased the loading capacity fully one hundred per cent.

Contrary to what might be expected, these removable platform bodies are not expensive. They consist simply of a steel framework, using cross pieces of structural I-section, with steel bands around the outside, and planked over on the top and with sockets for stakes. The stakes are made by the company themselves with the ends steel sheathed to protect them. These bodies complete, made in this way, do not cost over \$80.

#### Truck Bodies Larger But Save Space

They are each 17½ ft. in length by 7 ft. wide; in other words, the removable truck body as it stands against the platform increases the actual platform space by 122½ sq. ft., and as there are eighteen of these bodies now in use 3205 sq. ft. of additional space is available.

At this point the comparison of the space occupied by horse wagons as compared to the trucks, may be interesting. A 12-ft. wagon which has a body practically only 4 ft. wide, with the horses takes up from 24 to 25 ft. in length. Only six of these representing a wagon platform area of but 288 sq. ft. can be loaded at once. Contrast this with the truck bodies, which are 17 ft. 6 in. long, by 7 ft. wide, eight of which can be loaded at once, or 1102½ sq. ft., which shows an increased carrying space



Loading the Body

While the trucks are delivering, the removable bodies are being loaded as shown. This is a view from the platform toward the areaway. The man shown is on one of the suspended bodies, loading same. Hand trucks are wheeled right from the platform onto the body to be loaded.

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### Trucks Keep Platform Cleared

As this installation was viewed by the writer this month, which is the busy season for the Baltimore Bargain House, a splendid opportunity was had to see how effectively the trucks keep the goods moving. The loading platform was kept fairly free of goods, a complete line of suspended truck bodies with their full loads hung ready for the trucks the instant they come into the building.

his own unloading system, so that the trucks will not have to be held up. The longest haul is to the Pennsylvania Railroad station which is only a mile, all of which makes this paying installation of motor-driven vehicles of greater interest, as it is essentially a short haul proposition.

#### The System Applied to New Warehouse

The company is now building what is said to be the largest storage warehouse of its kind in the State. This building will have 440,000 sq. ft, of floor space, and is

Close to the elevators will be noticed two spiral box-chutes. These are far from ordinary, as they are each 20 ft. in diameter, and can accommodate an enormous quantity of goods. At the left of the driveway will also be noticed a conveyor.

Railway cars will also enter the building, and mechanical conveyors will move their contents to the various floors of the building.

It will also be noticed from the plans that the entire left side of the building is one continuous loading platform, approximately 165 ft, in length backed by a series of 8-



Loaded Bodies Waiting for Trucks

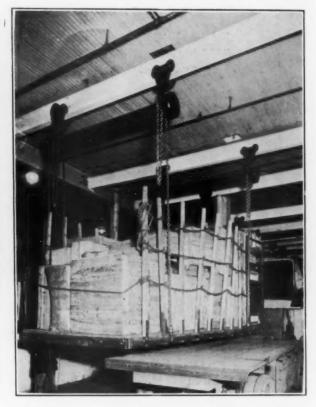
Each body has a full five-ton load ready to be trolleyed over and lowered into place on the truck. Stops at the front prevent the body from shifting forward and scratching the rear of the cab.

Mr. Neilson said that previous to the installing of this system it was a common sight to see the platform piled high with goods, which congested the place to such an extent that much valuable time was lost in finding and arranging the various pieces of merchandise. Of course spiral chutes and mechanical conveyors are employed to bring the goods to the loading platform and no time whatever is lost in useless manual labor.

### All Are Short Hauls

This house is wholesale only, so that the hauls are to freight yards, railroad stations, boat landings, and stores. The shortest haul is to the B. & O. freight yards, this being a half mile, yet in spite of occasional hold-ups at the yard, the great saving of time at the loading point has made it pay to send the motor-driven vehicles, even to these congested places, and Mr. Neilson hopes at certain yards to be able in the near future to make arrangements to install

built entirely of reinforced concrete and steel. Every known mechanical device to reduce to the minimum the cost of handling merchandise is to be installed. The lay-out and method of employing the overhead and removable body system can be readily had by looking at the accompanying first It will be seen that there is an floor plan. areaway directly into the building from the front, extending for 100 ft., and having a width of 60 ft., with a loading platform on each side and also at the end. In dotted lines are shown the overhead trolley lines. The end trolley extends to a point in front of the elevators, there being two on each side of the platform. By this arrangement trucks can drive directly into the building, have the loaded bodies trolleyed and deposited in front of whichever set of elevators will be handiest to the place the goods are to occupy on the floors above. This method does away entirely with hand trucking from the edge of the platform to the elevators and will save much time.



Loaded Body Almost Ready to be Lowered Into Place

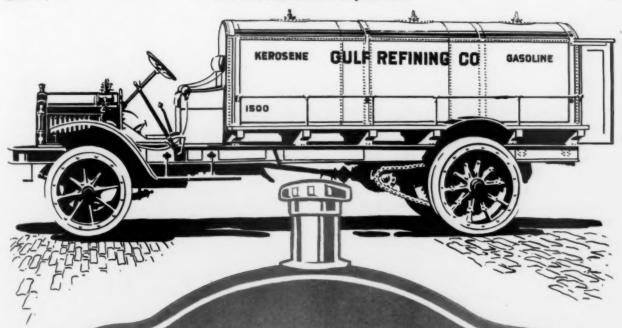
Attention is called to the clip at the rear of the truck, which prevents the body from shifting. There are no bolts or fastenings of any kind necessary to hold the bodies in position.

ft. doors into the building, and served by the same overhead trolley removable body system. In front of this is a driveway 40 ft. in width, paved with vitrified brick.

Ground is just being broken for this building at the time of this writing and when it is completed the Baltimore Bargain House will probably have one of the most complete and efficient installations of motor-driven vehicles in the country. The progressiveness of this firm is very commendable, and its example can doubtless be followed to advantage by many other fleet users who have not as yet perfected their delivery system.

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#### MOTOR 'BUSES FOR HIGHEST ROAD IN WORLD

The highest road in the world, reaching an altitude of 17,000 ft. as it crosses the Andes Mountains near Potosi, Bolivia, will be the route of a motor bus line to be established by the Bolivia Automobile Company, of Sucre and Potosi. Four specially-built White buses, having six-cylinder, 60-h.p. motors, were shipped from Cleveland to Potosi to replace the mule-drawn coaches which have been the only form of transportation between the two cities.

A former Californian, now a partner in the company, who visited this country for the purpose of buying the equipment, describes the Potosi-Sucre route as one of wonderful scenery and great danger. For a distance of 10 miles, he said, the road skirts the edge of a precipice, having a sheer drop of 3000 ft., and it is so steep in some places that the passengers of the stage coaches invariably prefer to get out and walk. For this reason he was particularly careful to purchase cars of unusual power, extreme simplicity of control and powerful brakes. Some years ago a coach containing ten passengers and drawn by six mules went over the precipice and all were killed. Bolivian government thereupon built a stone guard wall along the edge. As a further safeguard to traffic, the government has made a ten-year contract with the Compania de Automovilos to improve the roads over which the new motor buses will carry passengers and mail.

The buses will always be operated at an altitude of 7000 ft. or higher. The city of Potosi, the terminus of the railroad line leading up from the Pacific coast, has an altitude of 14,000 ft. Leaving this city the buses will begin a climb of five kilometers (a little over three miles) and cross the highest pass of the Andes at 17,000 ft. elevation. The average grade from Potosi to the pass is 17 per cent., and there are dozens of sharp turns. From the summit there is a gradual descent for over 100 miles until the City of Sucre, capital of Bolivia, is reached. On this portion of the route it is necessary to cross several riverbeds which are drying during a dry season of eight months. During the remaining four months of the year, the service is annulled. return trip consists of a steady pull for over 100 miles. Mule-drawn stages make the trip one way in thirty hours, whereas the motor buses will be operated on a

twelve-hour schedule, making a daily trip in each direction,

Entirely aside from the revenue derived by the operating company for carrying mail, the concern gets a big income from passenger traffic. Baggage is carried at an extra cost. The truck equipment, though identical from a mechanical standpoint, consists of two classes. Three of the cars have bodies of the express truck type, with roof, drop curtains and four adjustable seats to carry eleven passengers. The fourth is a "Deluxe Extra Fare Car" with three heavily upholstered seats like those of a touring car and standard automobile tops. The car is intended to carry seven passengers.

All four buses are built with the White electrical system of starting and lighting. In addition to the usual equipment of lamps, each bus is fitted with an electric swiveling head lamp mounted on the dash. The tire equipment consists of pneumatics with non-skid treads.

In order that the buses may be operated and maintained in the most efficient manner, Mr. Wilson has engaged factory-trained men to go to Bolivia. When the Sucre-Potosi line has been established, his company will start two other lines, one operating from Cochabemba to Tarata, Totora and Nisque, and the other between La Quiaca and Tarija.



#### Truck Handling Large Sums

Where large sums of money have to be moved quickly to insure their remaining intact, trucks have come to the fore. An instance of this occurred lately in St. Louis, when Boatman's Bank Building was destroyed by fire. When it had cooled, the gold and securities were removed from the vault and taken away by a Garford, on Firestones, \$1,379,000 in cash being taken on the first trip, and \$1,400,000 the second trip.

### TEXAS MOTORWAY TAKES THE PLACE OF THE RAILROAD

That the commercial car has made possible the solution of the transportation question for vast areas of country without railroads, permitting a more complete development of agricultural lands and other natural resources, is exemplified in the work now going on in the State of Texas, in the district lying southwest of Dallas and Fort Worth.

Lying to the southwest of these two large cities of north Texas, is a large area of country without direct rail communication, and through which the Texas Motorway Corporation is now constructing the only private corporation owned motor highway in the southwest. About a year and a half ago the motorway was proposed by John B. Christensen, President of the company, a company was formed and up to the past month twenty-five miles of the motorway have been completed, and five miles of smooth, hard surface road is being added to its length every month.

The motorway is being constructed through a rich and prosperous territory which at the present time has natural market centers, Dallas and Fort Worth. As the road is corporation owned, a toll is charged to parties desiring to use it and motor cars only are permitted. The road is designed primarily to provide a freight and passenger service to the citizens of this great area now forced to travel a tedious and round-about way to reach market and social centers.

The road is being constructed across country on its own right of way, is 100 ft. wide, is drained and surfaced, while at public crossings, stock guards are constructed and a track laid for automobile wheels. When completed as planned the road will be 100 miles long; although later it may be extended to the Mexican border. Trucks from one to ten-ton capacity are being put into service.

The City of McKeesport, Pa., with a population of 61,000, will motorize its police and fire departments. This was determined last week by the city council and bids are being advertised for fire trucks and motor patrol wagons. The decisions of the McKeesport council came after a committee from that body visited Pittsburg and witnessed a number of demonstrations of fire apparatus installed in this city during the last three years.



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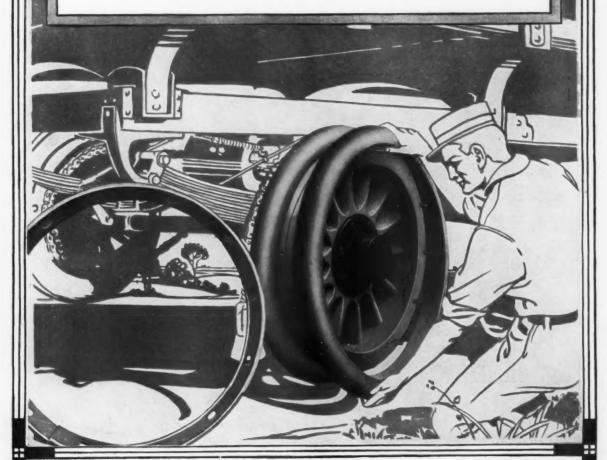
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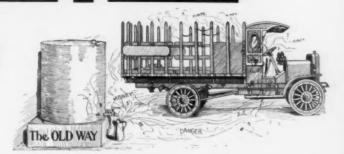


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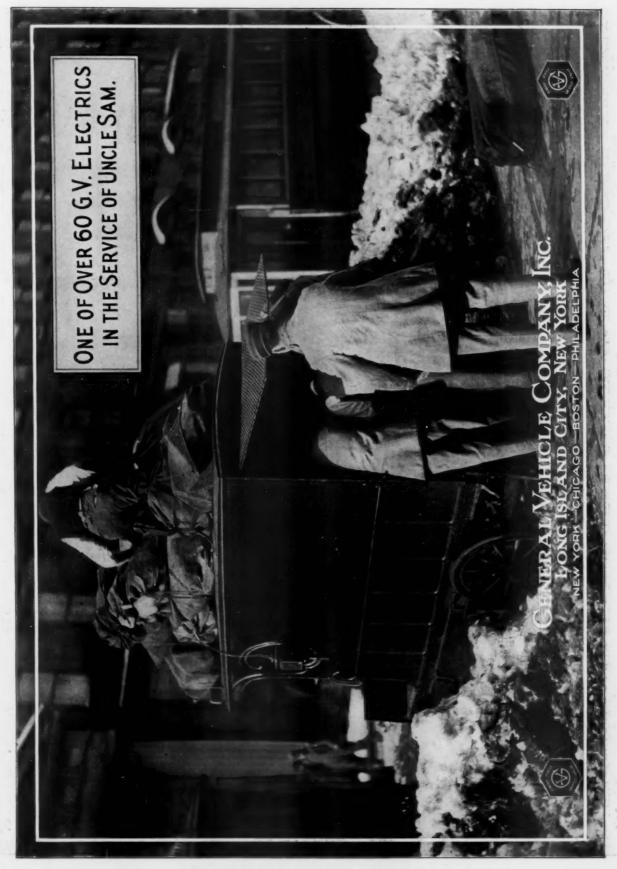
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What was conceded to be the most remarkable demonstration of Commercial Car hill climbing ever seen on the Coast was, however, only what all Flint Wagons are capable of doing and are doing all over the country.

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The Commercial Car was loaded to capacity, carrying 1675 pounds. It easily climbed a hill 8-10 of a mile long with grades up to 26%. With a load of 2155 pounds, it took a 26% grade 400 feet long, from a standing start. It was stopped half way up, then started again on the grade, and successfully finished the climb without a falter or a stop.

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# on Berkeley's Steep Hills



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On Feby twenty five made remarkable hill climbing demonstration before committee of San Francisco News paper Men Negotiated last eleven Block of Marin Avenue Berkeley eight tenths of a mile long percentage of grades respectively nineteen, fourteen, thirteen, twelve, twenty two fourteen, twenty, nineteen, twenty six, twenty four, and twenty four with Live Load of sixteen hundred seventy five pounds negotiated entire climb without any Difficulty then returned to foot of twenty six percent grade block four hundred feet long and from standing start with live load of twenty one hundred fifty five pounds climed half way stopped car then motor from that position started and finished climb, wonderful feature was no heating of motor radiator after each test cool enough to lay face. against without any inconvenience demonstration pronounced by

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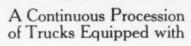
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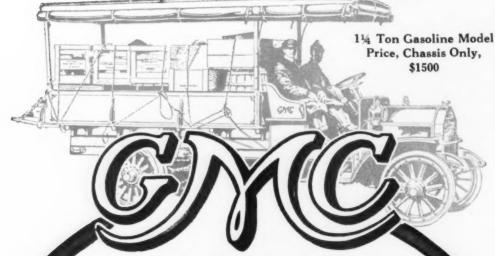
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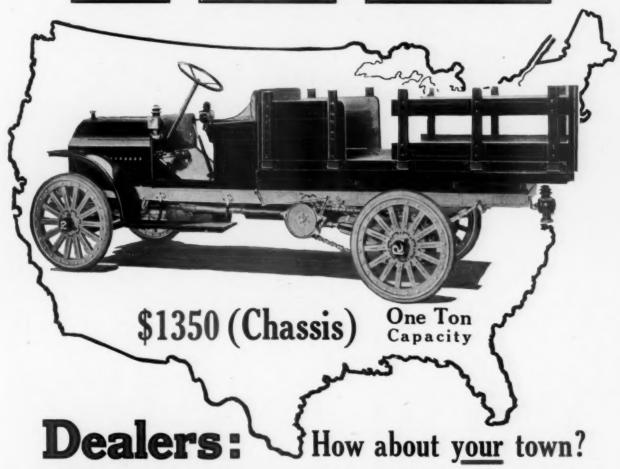
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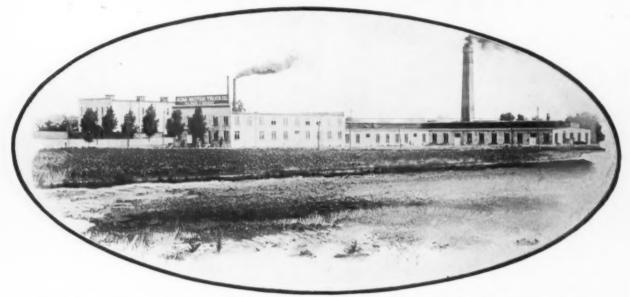
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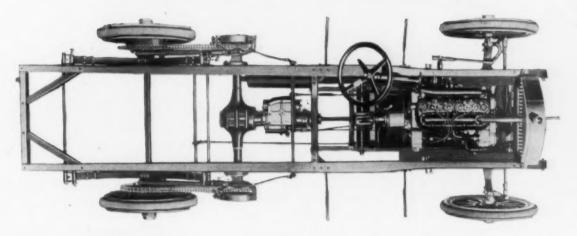


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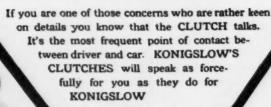
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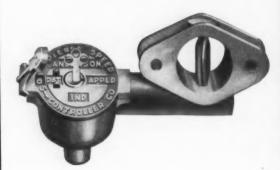
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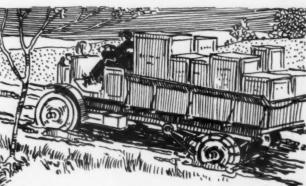
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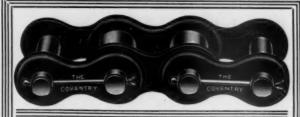
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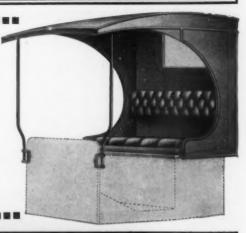
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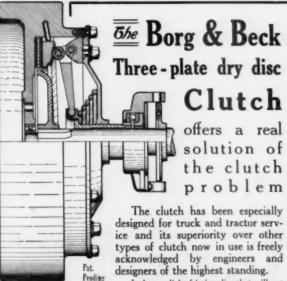
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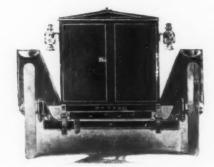
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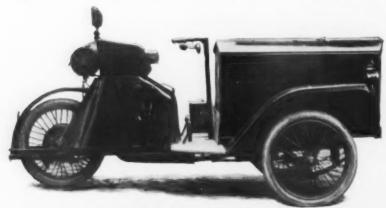
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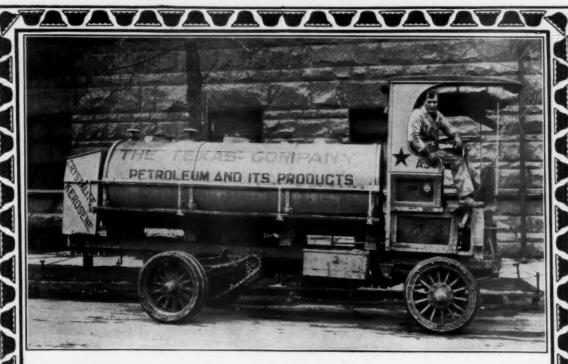
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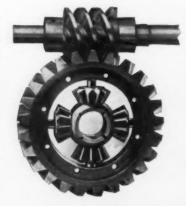
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Philadelphia Pennsylvania



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# Stewart Hub Odometer

on every Truck you are running

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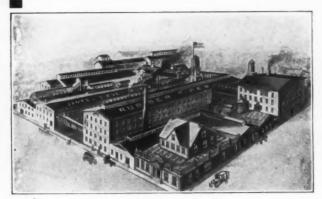
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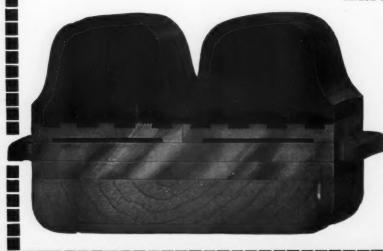
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These are the original wireless tires—the ones whose phenomenal success has caused a host of imitators to spring up. They are the tires that proved the wireless principle was the right one for commercial vehicle use; the tires whose supremacy has been proved in the severe tests of actual service; the tires which have established records that others have been unable to equal. They are the tires which discriminating buyers insist upon having, for they are

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# GIBNEY Tire&RubberCo.

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# Take Philadelphia for Instance—



This photograph was taken in the Shipping Department of the brewery of F. A. Poth & Sons, Philadelphia. This company has 39 electric trucks, 21 of which are equipped with "Ironclad=Exide" Batteries and two with "Exide" Batteries.

The Philadelphia Electric Co. operates a fleet of 44 electric delivery wagons and trucks, 23 of which are equipped with "Ironclad=Exide" and 21 with "Exide" Batteries.

The Bergdoll Brewing Co. has 14 electric trucks, and C. Schmidt & Sons Brewing Co. of Philadelphia, 10 electric trucks; equipped with batteries of the "Exioc" types.

John Wanamaker, Strawbridge & Clothier and Gimbel Bros., the three largest department stores in Philadelphia, have 12 electric vehicles, 11 of which are equipped with batteries of the "Exide" types.

The Curtis Publishing Co., publisher of the "Ladies' Home Journal" and the "Saturday Evening Post," uses "Ironclad=Exide" Batteries, having 12 electric trucks equipped with them.

The Union Transfer Co., The United Gas Improvement Co., and the Finkenauer Brewing Co., are other large users of "Electrics" in Philadelphia, using batteries of the "Exide" types.

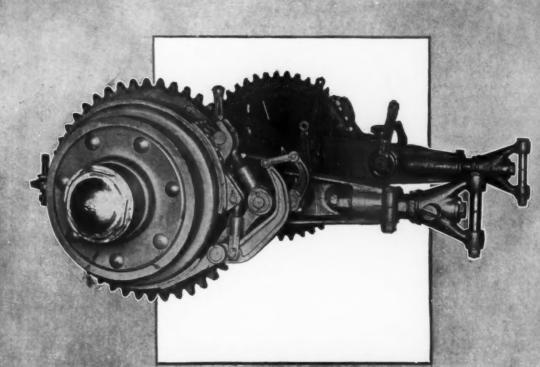
Philadelphia has hundreds of other electric vehicle users,—both commercial and pleasure—who have equipped their cars with either "Exide", "Hycap=Exide", "Thin=Exide" or "Ironclad=Exide" Batteries.

Let us refer you to the owners of "Electrics" in your town who are using "Exide" Batteries, and let us help you in choosing the proper battery for your service.

## THE ELECTRIC STORAGE BATTERY CO.

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# You Can Sell This Car



#### because it is the kind that merchants want

When we say "You can sell this car" we don't mean an occasional one, but selling on a large scale and making profits such as dealers dream of, but seldom realize.

It's all because most merchants have at last realized that big trucks are too costly for them to operate and maintain. They consequently are demanding a strong, small, light car, low in initial cost, inexpensive to operate and maintain and which affords quick, economical delivery service.

The VIM meets that demand. It is to the commercial car field what the Ford is to the pleasure car end.

#### A Harvest for Dealers

Here is a big opportunity for one dealer in every locality. The demand for this car does not have to be cultivated-it already exists, but the VIM is the only car that fully meets the requirements. It is a real automobile, not a makeshift or a cyclecar. It is sturdy, rugged, practical, economical.

Scores of dealers realized this and their applications for agencies are pouring in. They know they can sell the VIM, because it is what their customers want. How about your territory-will it be you or some competitor?

#### VIM SPECIFICATIONS

Engine—Northway light truck motor, 3" bore, 4½" stroke, four cylinders, water cooled thermo-syphon mech a lieally operated valves enclosed. Motor cast enaloc; crank shaft diameter 2"; three main bearings.

Clutch—Leather-faced cone, 12" diameter, 2\4" face; designed for 30 h. p. loading, thus qualifying for abuses attending commercial service.

ansmission—Three-speed and reverse selective sliding gears, % "face, six and eight pitch; shafts all of chrome nickel alloy, mounted on imported snuular bearings, mounted as unit with motor.

VIM SPECIFICATIONS lenition—Atwater Kent Multi-Sparker, enabling easy starting and economy. Control—Left-hand drive, right-hand control for gear shift and emergency brake.

Brakes—Contracting on rear wheel drums for service, internal expanding on rear wheel drums for service, internal expanding on rear wheel drums for contracting to brakes equivalent to the start of the start of

Wheelbase—89", tread 56", angle of steering 35°. Gasoline Tank—Located under seal: 7 gallon capacity; conveniently arranged for filling. Springs—Semi-elliptic front and rear; special heat-treated steel, 2" wide.

treated steel, 2" wide.
Weight—1575 pounds.
Body—Steel body, all joints welded, providing an endless steel frame without joints whatsoever, making the most substantial body to build. Inside loading measurements, 56" long, 54" high, 42" wide.

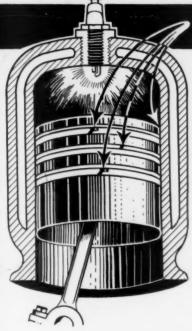
Finish-French Gray with Monitor Gray mouldings. Speed-2 to 25 miles per hour. Frame-Pressed steel channel, depth, 3½".

THE TOURAINE COMPANY, Broad and Huntingdon Sts., Philadelphia, Pa.

MAKERS OF THE TOURAINE SIX PLEASURE CARS

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# Gas Cannot Escape Here

if your engine is epuipped with



# Piston Rings

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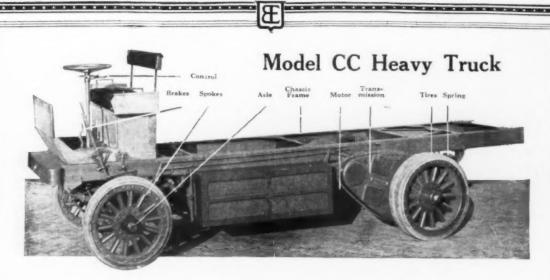
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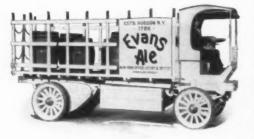
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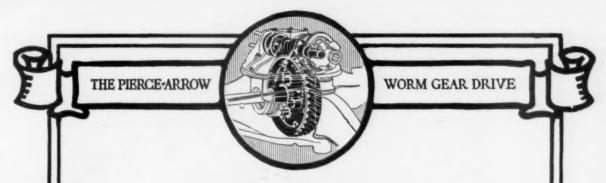


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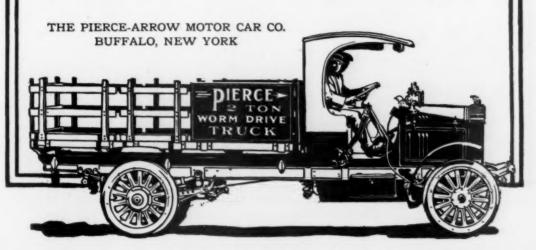




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